



Guide Dogs  
of America



Tender Loving  
Canines

Transforming Lives Through Partnerships With Service Dogs

## 2020 - 2021 Annual Report

Despite the challenges presented this past year, Guide Dogs of America has remained operational, providing essential human services to people with disabilities. By following recommended safety protocols, GDA has continued to fulfill its mission to transform lives through partnerships with service dogs.

### Development

- **Charity Navigator 4-Star Rating (highest)**
- Guide Star Platinum Level Seal of Transparency
- **127 puppies went into raiser homes**
- 88 first-time puppy raisers
- **Building international connections** outside North America with International Guiding Eye Federation accredited schools

### Grants

- **Kennel and Nursery Renovation**
- Guide Dog training vests
- **Veteran Service Dog Training Program at The Brig**
- Essential training, equipment and enrichment supplies
- **PBS "Spotlight On" educational video**
- Safety fencing and landscaping
- Ultrasound equipment

### Guide Dog Program

- 2 guide dog classes
- **27 guide dog teams**
- 8 new guide dog users and 19 returning handlers

### Service Dog Program

- 3 service dog classes
- **19 service dog teams**
- 7 autism placements, 11 veteran placements and 1 facility dog placement

### Events

- **Held 50 fundraising events across the nation**
- The 2nd annual "Walk, Run, Ride...Whatever!" raised \$30,000
- **The 2nd annual Kourpias K-9 Classic Motorcycle Ride raised over \$100,000**
- Pawsitivity Photo Calendar Contest raised \$30,000

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Fiscal Year 2021 (7/1/2020 - 6/30/2021)

### REVENUE AND SUPPORT

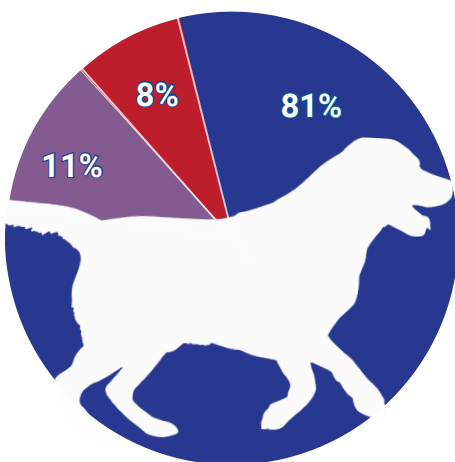
Unrestricted contributions and grants	\$17,234,340
Investment income	\$8,976,872
Special events, net	\$57,322
In-kind services	\$219,996
<b>TOTAL UNRESTRICTED REVENUE</b>	<b>\$26,488,530</b>

### EXPENSES

Program services	\$5,252,227
Fundraising	\$768,046
Management and administrative costs	\$494,286
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$6,514,559</b>

### ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Assets	\$68,060,719
Liabilities	\$1,609,895
Net Assets	\$66,450,824



### EXPENSES

81%	Program Services
11%	Fundraising
8%	Management and Administrative Costs



## Jim and Service Dog, Triton

*Jim Reed is a combat Vietnam Veteran who served in the 173rd Airborne for 18 months. During his service, he was exposed to Agent Orange and has PTSD. His service dog, Triton, was trained in GDA's service dog program at Mule Creek State Prison.*

"My name is Jim Reed, and this is my new friend Triton. It's been a long time since I've had a friend and even longer since I've wanted one. When I first got to GDA, I was really nervous, but with Triton by my side, I have felt a feeling of easiness and calmness that I thought I left somewhere in the past. **At night in the darkest hours, 1968 comes looking for me just like it always does, but now Triton will be there to wake me up and bring me back home.** I've been told that Triton is a tool to help me navigate through life, which he is. But I also think of him as my guardian angel, and for that, I thank everyone involved in this program from the bottom of my heart."



## Building For The Future

The comfort, safety and health of our dogs is our top priority. **This year, we focused substantial resources on a full renovation of our kennel and puppy center.** We reached out to the experts in the industry, invested in the most state-of-the art technology, and focused on the following improvements.

- New HVAC and air filtration systems
- Updated plumbing and electrical systems
- UV disinfectant lighting system
- New sanitized feeding and fresh water systems
- Airtight, non-porous epoxy flooring
- Innovative cleaning, drainage and waste mechanisms
- Customized indoor/outdoor modular kennel system
- Upgraded fencing and concrete flooring

Thanks to all of our volunteers, donors, sponsors and everyone who supports us in our mission. Guide Dogs of America could not create these life-changing partnerships without your help, and we are truly grateful. To learn more about our programs, get involved or make a tax deductible donation, please visit [guidedogsofamerica.org](https://www.guidedogsofamerica.org).