

**GUIDE DOGS OF AMERICA**  
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**Key:**

DBR = Direct Business Representative

GDA=Guide Dogs of America

GVP=General Vice President

IAMAW=International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers

NFFE = National Federation of Federal Employees

TCU = Transportation Communication Union