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## CHAMP Assistance Dogs' 2022 Annual Report

### Mission Statement:

*It is the Mission of CHAMP Assistance Dogs to improve and enhance life skills and promote companionship through the placement of specially selected service dogs with qualified individuals, and further, to always celebrate the mystery and joy inherent in the canine/human bond.*

### Our Vision:

*Both partners, dog and human, will have a better life because of the other.*

Dear CHAMP Friends,

As a non-profit organization whose foundation is based upon the incredible canine-human bond, we are able to make a difference through our life-changing assistance dog placements and impactful programs, with your continuous and generous support. We couldn't do this without YOU.

*I want to share the accomplishments that you, our CHAMP friends, have made possible in 2022:*

**CHAMP had 20 assistance dogs-in-training and placed 6 assistance dogs, service and facility dogs, in 2022.** Service dogs change the lives of individuals – children, veterans and adults - with physical or cognitive disabilities. CHAMP Service Dogs can greatly increase their partner's independence and help them be more mobile in their home, at work, and in the community. CHAMP facility dogs help professional caregivers working in medical facilities, schools, child advocacy centers and courtrooms. A facility dog can motivate patients in a medical center or comfort a child who must testify against an abuser in a courtroom. This year, CHAMP placed 4 service dogs to enhance the life skills of individuals. We also placed 2 facility dogs; one is placed in a Child Advocacy Center to comfort children during a forensic interview. The other facility dog is placed in a hospice/palliative care facility and provides a calming presence to the patients and their families as they face the stress of terminal illness. It costs CHAMP up to \$30,000 to train and place one assistance dog; but they are placed free-of-charge.

**We celebrate the beneficial partnership between CHAMP Assistance Dogs and NAK.** We formed a partnership with NAK a few years ago. Since that time, NAK whelped, donated, and helped train ten amazing puppies. Two of these pups were placed at the age of 18 months, as facility dogs. The other eight pups are perfecting the skills needed to be placed as CHAMP service dogs and facility dogs.

**We have a new prison program at a Women's Federal Prison Camp in Greenville, IL.**

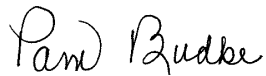
The women in the new prison camp program are non-violent offenders and are making progress as they learn to train our assistance dogs-in-training. The new offender-trainers really enjoy the weekly classes with our CHAMP Training Staff, Nola and Christina. The women are following the CHAMP guidelines of being consistent and using positive reinforcement to reward good behavior. This win-win-program provides vocational training while preparing the women for reintegration into the community, upon release.

**Our CHAMP Therapy Dog Teams** are out in the community once again, providing comfort and bringing joy to children and adults in pediatric hospitals and adult hospitals, assisted living centers, hospice facilities, adult day care centers, the Veterans Home, the USO, libraries, schools, colleges and universities. Our gentle therapy dogs share tail wags, perform tricks, listen to young readers and cuddle with those who are lonely or in poor health. Our Therapy Dog Program is a free service we provide for the community.

**Our education program is adding new presentations to our curriculum.** CHAMP will be offering exciting new program choices to schools, scouts, and summer camps. Since the threat of the pandemic has lessened, we are able to work with children in schools and make informative presentations to civic groups, social groups, and community gatherings.

For everything you have done for us and continue to do, our CHAMP Board of Directors, staff and volunteers want you to know how thankful we are for your support. We look forward to a prosperous future of changing and impacting the lives of others, together.

Thank you on behalf of our CHAMP Board of Directors, staff and volunteers,



Pam Budke, Executive Director  
CHAMP Assistance Dogs

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## CHAMP Assistance Dogs' Financial Overview

The following is an overview of CHAMP Assistance Dogs' income and expenses, based on our **IRS form 990**, for the fiscal year that ended September 30, 2022:

### **Revenues**

Contributions: cash	\$552,530
Contributions: noncash	\$103,760
Program Service Revenue	\$22,321
Investment income	\$458
Net Gain from Sale of Securities	\$1,164
Net Income from Fundraising Events	\$1,839
<b>Total Revenues and Support</b>	<b>\$682,072</b>

### **Expenses**

Assistance Dog Program	\$333,192
Education Program	\$70,474
Therapy Dog Program	\$96,714
<b>Total Program Service Expenses</b>	<b>\$500,380</b>
Management and general expenses	\$40,421
Fundraising expenses	\$50,260
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$591,061</b>

**Net assets at end of year** **\$435,217**

*CHAMP Assistance Dogs is tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.*

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