

DoveLewis[®]
Canine Therapy Teams

PORTLAND AREA CANINE THERAPY TEAMS

January 2023 Newsletter



A Look Back on 2022

**OUR TEAMS HAVE
VOLUNTEERED OVER 9,690
HOURS IN 2022!**

89

TOTAL TEAMS

CERTIFIED

17

NEW TEAMS

900+

hours at Portland
International Airport
supporting travelers,
TSA, airline staff,
vendors, Veterans, and
PDX staff

300+

hours visiting assisted
living facilities

600+

hours at one day
events: finals stress
relief in high schools
and colleges

4,600+

hours at schools
helping kids cope daily
with teams made up
of a vice principal,
teachers, counselors,
and front staff

90+

hours at church
on Sundays!

500+

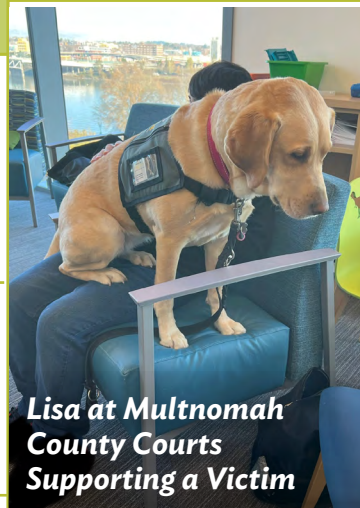
hours in Read to the
Dog programs

900+

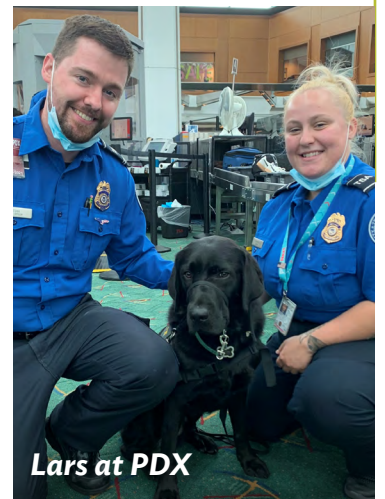
hours in hospitals for
patients and staff

1,800+

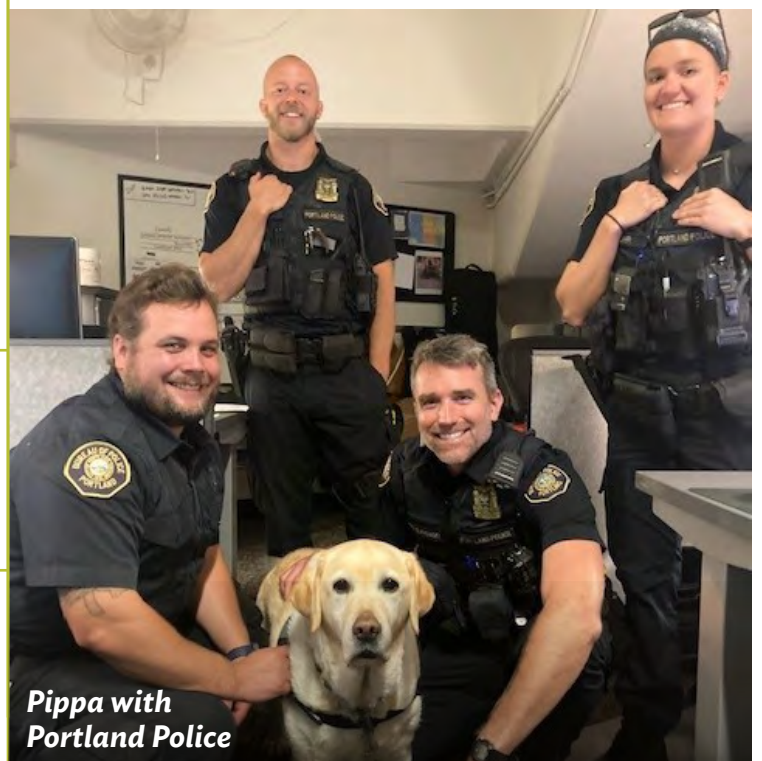
hours supporting victims of domestic and sexual
abuse, victims of human trafficking, youth at risk,
law enforcement, specialty courts, victim
advocates, Multnomah Co. DA's office,
Washington Co. Juvenile Justice, Department of
Justice, NW Regional Re-Entry Center



*Lisa at Multnomah
County Courts
Supporting a Victim*



Lars at PDX



*Pippa with
Portland Police*



Meg and Gracie on Facebook Live



Judge Waller and Volvo



Liberty and Lisa at a Night Shift Roll Call with Portland Police

A Note From Kathy

Thank you to all who have made this program what it is today! We appreciate our dogs and handlers and the time they give to each visit and each person. You will always know from the look in a person's eyes and the smile on their face just what impact you had in that moment. The PACTT program is truly the gold standard. Our teams are professional, dedicated, dependable, and have helped create our stellar reputation.

A very special shout out to Molly and the marketing team for creating our newsletters every month and making sure teams have what they need. I'd also like to thank the Development team for their support with events and fundraising.

We are grateful for DoveLewis and their continued support and belief in this program. PACTT is one of the many programs of DoveLewis that make Dove so special. It embodies the human-animal bond and takes our organization out of the hospital and into the community.

- Kathy



Virtual Read to the Dogs

Share Your Messages of Love

February is often all about love so we're bringing back our messages of love for our pets! Our February PACTT Newsletter will be dedicated to your message you want to share about your sweet pets.

PACTT teams and DoveLewis staff are all invited to add messages of love to their pets! Deadline is Feb. 17.

[Click here to write your message](#)



Such Rewarding Work

I wanted to thank Kathy for the opportunity to support today's victim and her family. It was nothing short of amazing once again.

Anta greeted the victim and her family with gentle enthusiasm initially. The family met with the DA and DVA for about 30 minutes prior to heading up to the grand jury room. I offered the leash to the victim as we were starting our transition which they enthusiastically took. You could see a distinct increase in their level of confidence.

Once in the waiting area, the DA left to meet with the grand jury while the family and DVA waited for the call to come into the room. Anta was incredibly perceptive during that time - the family armed with a bag of treats - alternated between having Anta do tricks and gentle quiet time of petting. This resulted in the family having a way to be de-stress and even laugh a bit while waiting for testimonies to begin.

When it came time for the victim to testify, they gratefully and independently took Anta's leash and lead him into the grand jury room for the time to tell their story. They emerged after about an hour still holding Anta's leash, they were grateful to have had Anta there and to have completed this chapter of their testimony.

I wanted you to know how grateful I am to be a part of this team. I continue to be struck by how much joy the work with the DV unit brings to me and I am honored to be part of the process of supporting these victims and their advocates. Anta got a pigs ear and long play session that afternoon as his reward!

- Jill + Anta





Blaine at Read to a Dog at Cascade Library



*Allison Tivnon, Beavorton
City Council with Rosella*



Beryl and Lisa at Morrison Family Services



Limerick at Cascade Library



Blaine at Cascade Library



Lenny and Carol at Arizona Yappy Hour



Lisa at Multnomah County Victim Advocates Wellness Day



Judge Britton with Stella and Rosella at Beaverton B-SOBR Graduation



Lisa and Marvin at Multnomah County Victim Advocates Wellness Day



New Teams at PDX



Marvin at Multnomah County Courts



Anta Kisses at PDX

PACTT on Oregon Live!

Holiday sweaters and wagging tails. Our recent holiday visits were a memorable one especially at PDX! Oregon Live wrote a great story about our visit there and took some great photos of all the teams too.

[Click here to read article](#)

Cozy Up With Some PACTT Merchandise



Check out all the PACTT merchandise available for you including polos, long sleeves, and more. [Click Here to Shop Now!](#)



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