

JOIN THE PAWS AND BOOTS ON THE GROUND YOUTH THERAPY DOG TRAINING PROGRAM! LAUNCHING FALL 2025

We need calm and confident pet dogs AND we need passionate youth ages 14 - 29, to learn to train them to become therapy dogs.

What's in it for Pet Parents and their DOGS?

- Be part of a unique and impactful program, knowing your dog is helping youth
- Positive, reward based training led by Jane Boake - a high school teacher with 25 years experience teaching youth how to train dogs to serve the community
- Opportunities for your dog to socialize with new people and other dogs
- Transportation of your dog to and from the youth training program, if needed

What's in it for YOUTH?

- Work hands-on with friendly, screened pet dogs in a supportive training environment
- Build confidence and develop leadership and communication skills
- Gain real-world experience relevant to animal care careers
- Fulfill your 40 volunteer community service hours
- No dog? No problem! We will pair you with a screened pet dog

How does it work?

Step 1 - Pet Parent and their dog complete a multi-step screening process.

Step 2 - Successful dogs are matched with youth trainers where they learn together, twice per week at Power House Recreation Center.

Step 3 - Pet parents have an option to learn to do therapy visits with their dogs through a follow up program.

Step 4 - Youth or Pet Parent Therapy Dog Teams visit senior homes, schools, hospitals and libraries.



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Location: Power House, Colonel Samuel Smith Park, Etobicoke

When: Tuesdays & Thursdays | 3:00PM-4:30PM

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