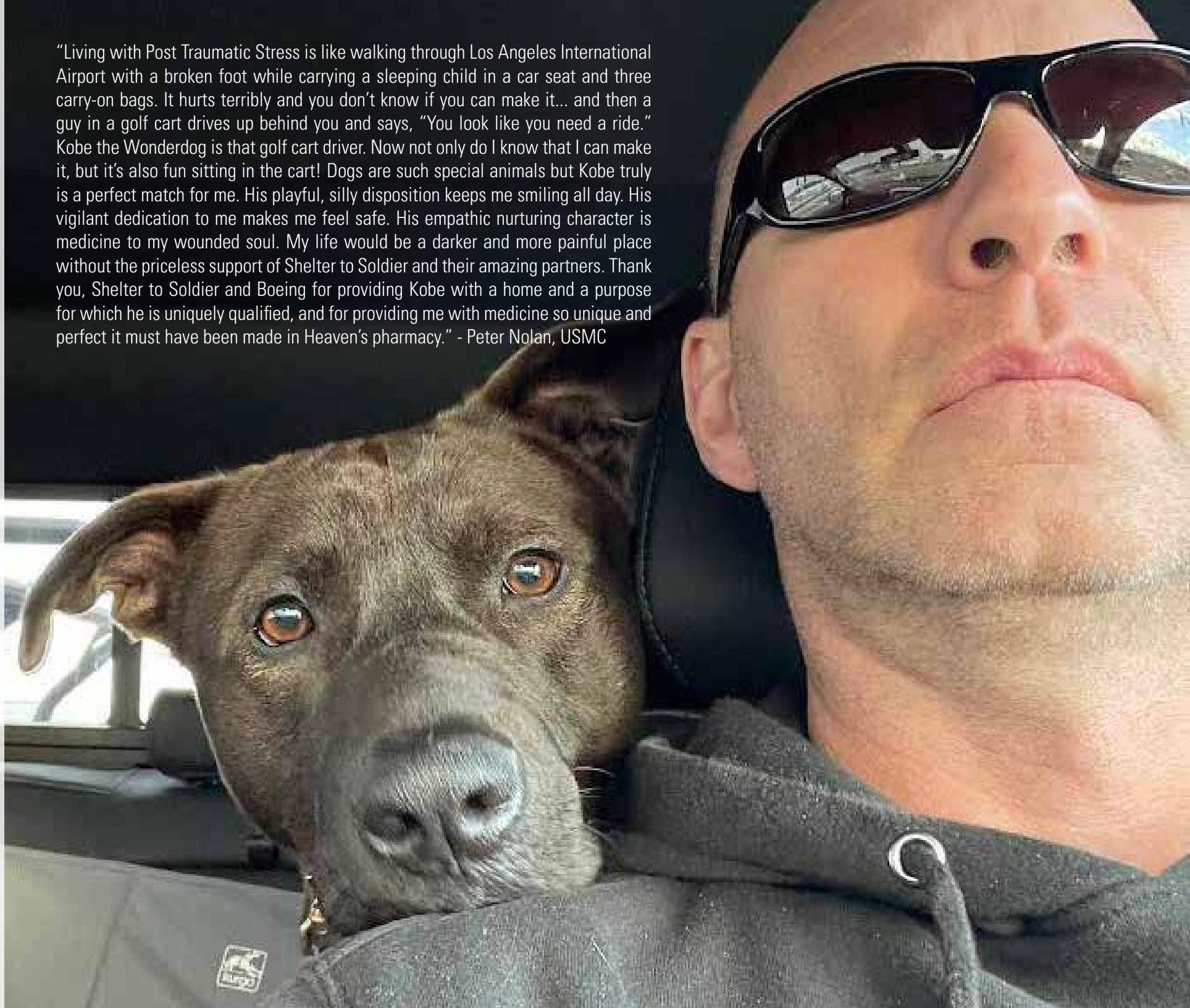




Saving Lives, Two at a Time

"Living with Post Traumatic Stress is like walking through Los Angeles International Airport with a broken foot while carrying a sleeping child in a car seat and three carry-on bags. It hurts terribly and you don't know if you can make it... and then a guy in a golf cart drives up behind you and says, "You look like you need a ride." Kobe the Wonderdog is that golf cart driver. Now not only do I know that I can make it, but it's also fun sitting in the cart! Dogs are such special animals but Kobe truly is a perfect match for me. His playful, silly disposition keeps me smiling all day. His vigilant dedication to me makes me feel safe. His empathic nurturing character is medicine to my wounded soul. My life would be a darker and more painful place without the priceless support of Shelter to Soldier and their amazing partners. Thank you, Shelter to Soldier and Boeing for providing Kobe with a home and a purpose for which he is uniquely qualified, and for providing me with medicine so unique and perfect it must have been made in Heaven's pharmacy." - Peter Nolan, USMC



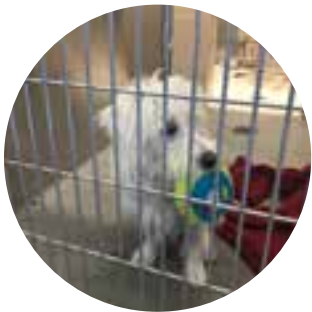


EVERY DAY 20 US Veterans

On Average Commit Suicide

(U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs)

More than 500,000 servicemen and women are living with invisible wounds, from depression to post-traumatic stress disorder and 320,000 are experiencing debilitating brain trauma (Wounded Warrior Project).



EVERY DAY Approximately 1,800 Dogs **Are Euthanized Nationwide**

(American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals)

Each year, America sees approximately 3.3 million dogs enter U.S. animal shelters nationwide. Shelter to Soldier provides them a future with a purpose and a life that is fulfilled by their bond with a veteran in need.



SHELTER TO SOLDIER

A 501c3 Nonprofit Organization

Shelter to Soldier is a 501c3 nonprofit organization that adopts dogs from local rescues and shelters and trains them to become psychiatric service dogs for post-9/11 veterans suffering from Post Traumatic Stress (PTS), Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and/or Military Sexual Trauma (MST). The program also places emotional support animals (ESAs) with active duty military and veterans in need and deploys the Shelter to Soldier Canine Ambassadors, a team of therapy dogs, to provide visits of love and comfort to local military, veterans and their families.

SAVING LIVES
2
AT A TIME
2021-22



Media Coverage



Partnership

Presented by Subaru and in partnership with 100.7 BIG FM, Dog Tales On the Road shares the success stories of the Shelter to Soldier program with the community weekly, on air, while also serving as a platform for quarterly fundraising events engaging community partners.





Each year, Shelter to Soldier presents an evening of thanks to its Red Star Sponsors who help to keep the mission moving forward to serve more homeless dogs and veterans in need. Guests enjoy small bites, cocktails, dessert and live music while celebrating the success stories our sponsors make possible.



2nd and 3rd Annual
Saving Lives, One
Swing at a Time Golf
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funds to contribute
to our lifesaving
mission.

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Thank you to Henry Schubach for funding our HENRY SCHUBACH MEDICAL WARD which supports our dogs recovering from surgeries, new dogs requiring quarantine post-adoption, and special care and isolation for dogs that become ill.



Thank you to the sponsors who have contributed to our training facility in Oceanside, CA.

Anonymous Donor



Rennie Gabriel
& Dianne
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Red Star Sponsorship | \$15,000

Shelter to Soldier will adopt a dog from a local shelter, give it a special name to reflect your support, train the dog over 12-18 months and then place the dog with a post-9/11 combat veteran suffering from PTSD and/or TBI. You will also have a special part in the graduation ceremony for the service dog and veteran.

**Due to annual increases in costs, the Red Star Sponsorship level will increase to \$18,000 effective January 1, 2023.*

2+ Shelter to Soldier Dogs



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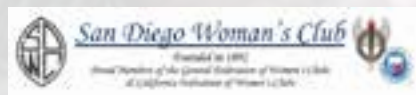
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1+ Shelter to Soldier Dog

Don Jarvis

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Ann & Andy Evans

SPONSORSHIPS | MAKE A DIFFERENCE

\$18,000

Each service dog/veteran team costs our program an average of \$15,000 from adoption to graduation. This includes the adoption, housing, medical care, grooming, food, treats, training, training equipment, bedding, toys, testing, handling training, service dog equipment and documents, graduation and materials for the veteran recipient and service dog pair.



Shelter to Soldier dogs are trained over 9-12 months to be highly obedient and handler-focused in all environments, to ignore distractions, and to mitigate symptoms of stress, anxiety, and depression through task-related work.

Some commands learned:

- Watch
- Behind
- Touch
- Right
- Front
- Center
- Closer
- Under



Shelter to Soldier visits local shelters and rescue groups and evaluates dogs 9 months to 1.5 years of age, of any breed, weighing 45-70 lbs, and in good health for our service dog training program.

We evaluate temperament for: desire to work and have a job, food or moderate toy drive, the way the dog handles new environments, people and noises, and an overall stable and social demeanor.





Upon qualified match – **veteran handlers train for an average of 7 months** time depending upon handling abilities and how well the team picks up on training.

Handlers learn to communicate effectively with their dog to create a loving bond while learning all commands and service dog laws/regulations to prepare them for a life with a service animal.



GRADUATION!

We celebrate the dedication of the dog and handler once they successfully complete all necessary training and pass required tests.

This is where the journey truly begins for the veteran/service dog team!



Three tests are required prior to completion of training:

- Canine Good Citizen
- Public Access Test
- Task-Related Test

**ONE YEAR
+ \$15,000**

**= TWO LIVES
SAVED!**

Due to increasing costs of the program, Red Star Sponsorship will increase to \$18,000 in 2023.

EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMALS



Career Change Dogs | ESAs + Pet Dogs

Dogs who are not able to complete our psychiatric service dog training program due to training progress are career-changed to Emotional Support Animals (ESAs). ESAs are placed with active duty military or veterans who are recommended an ESA by a mental healthcare professional. While ESAs do not have the same public access rights as service dogs, they still serve a very important role as a companion to a deserving recipient.

- Shelter to Soldier is honored to have graduated five Emotional Support Animals in 2021-22
- Dogs who display behavioral challenges making them unsuitable as psychiatric service dogs or ESAs are adopted out as pet dogs.
- Shelter to Soldier had two pet adoption in 2021-22.





Shelter to Soldier Canine Ambassadors | Therapy Dog Team

This is a group of certified Therapy Dogs and their dedicated handlers. These teams work in a variety of capacities to provide comfort and love to members of the veteran and active duty military community. Our Canine Ambassadors attend each STS Veteran Applicant interview, work with our veterans to strengthen their handling prior to placement with a service dog, attend Shelter to Soldier events, visit with active duty military and their families, work with active duty service members and veterans during trauma recovery therapy, and participate in veteran group therapies and events in the community.



CANINE AMBASSADORS

THERAPY TEAM



White Star Sponsorship | \$10,000

This sponsorship funds our Department of Veteran Services, which is committed to providing support to applicants and students of our program, increasing outreach efforts to support more veterans through Southern California, as well as supporting the Shelter to Soldier student through handler training, graduation and beyond.



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Blue Star Sponsorship | \$5,000

This sponsorship level supports our general operating expenses for the program. This sponsor level is also dedicated to youth initiatives in fundraising for our program.

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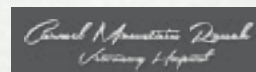


PARTNERS

SHARING THE MISSION

COMMUNITY | THANK YOU

Thank you to our community partners who continue to support our program and our service dogs in training.



GRADUATED | TEAMS

COREY + ANGUS | MAY 2022

Sponsored by Matsuri & Seven Woods Foundations

ANONYMOUS + JASPER | MAY 2022

Sponsored by React Foundation

KELLY + JAGGER | MARCH 2022

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BRADLEY + BERKLEY (ESA) | AUG 2021

Sponsored by Berkshire Hathaway Home Services

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Sponsored by Petco Love

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COLLIN + RAMSEY | JAN 2021

Sponsored by The Los Angeles Rams

DUSTIN + NIGEL | JAN 2021

Sponsored by UNITE Doggy 'Poo

SHAWN + WILSON | JAN 2021

Sponsored by The Fish Market

HENRY + PENNY (ESA) | JAN 2021

Sponsored by Jack & Nanci Simkin

TONY + LOLA (ESA) | DEC 2020

Sponsored by The Charitable Foundation (San Diego)

LITO + HALIA | DEC 2020

Sponsored by Northrop Grumman

ALONSO + GLORY | NOV 2020

Sponsored by Rennie Gabriel & Dianne Merryl

BRANDON + COOPER | AUG 2020

Sponsored by Los Angeles Rams

ANONYMOUS + GRUMMAN (ESA) | AUG 2020

Sponsored by Northrop Grumman

BEN + LIMA | AUG 2020 (*RETIRED)

Sponsored by Petco Foundation

MATT + JULIO | AUG 2020

Sponsored by David C. Copley Foundation

BRENDAN + THISTLE | AUG 2020 (*RETIRED)

Sponsored by Rennie Gabriel & Three Dog Bakery Encino

BILLY + SOPHIA (ESA) | SEPT 2020

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Emotional Support Dog

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TEAMS | IN TRAINING



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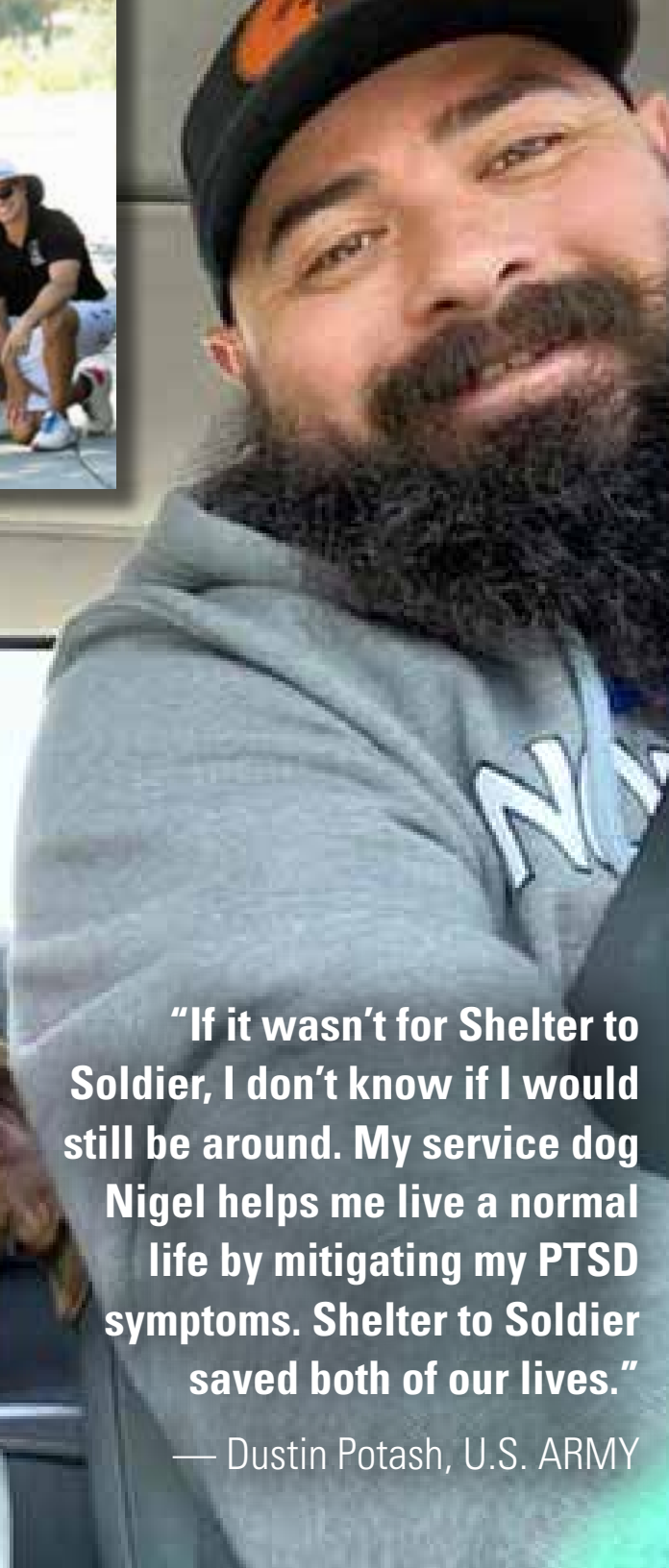
RON + DANTE

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ADRIANNA + DEMPSEY

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Since 2012 we have placed 65 dogs and graduated 50 service dog veteran/teams. 13 dogs have been placed as Emotional Support Animals. We currently have 25 dogs in training.



"If it wasn't for Shelter to Soldier, I don't know if I would still be around. My service dog Nigel helps me live a normal life by mitigating my PTSD symptoms. Shelter to Soldier saved both of our lives."

— Dustin Potash, U.S. ARMY



OUR PACK | LEADERSHIP + TEAMWORK



DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

Nicky Moore / Animal Behavior College - Certified Dog Trainer, Bachelors of Science in Business Management

CO-FOUNDERS

Graham Bloem | Animal Behavior College - Certified Dog Trainer

Kyrié Bloem | Bachelor of Arts, Masters of Science

Krys Holc | Certified Public Accountant

Shelter to Soldier is committed to operating our service dog training program in an efficient manner, utilizing the skills from our certified team of dog trainers to take shelter dogs with no training to the elite level of training required of them to become psychiatric service dogs.



Shelter to Soldier's training department has accreditations, certifications and memberships through organizations like:



KENNEL SUPERVISOR AND DOG TRAINER
Cassie Bostrom



ASSISTANT KENNEL SUPERVISOR
Lauren Scarbrough



Dog Trainers: Rachel "Charley" Charlesworth, Danielle Boyer, Dahlton Seel, Kayla Buford, Justin Forrester

Shelter to Soldier is proud to employ 4 veterans and 5 military spouses.

Shelter to Soldier provides lifelong training support to all graduates of the program, free of charge.



MAKING A WAY FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE

Shelter to Soldier is paving the way of support for veterans on the homefront. With the growth of our program this year, we have expanded our services to veterans and have created job opportunities for some of our graduates.



INDIVIDUAL THERAPY

Approved veteran applicants have the opportunity to attend one-on-one therapy sessions with our mental health liaison, David Moss LCSW, at no cost to the patient.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH & RESOURCE CONNECTIONS

Shelter to Soldier has expanded our network with the Veterans Administration and supporting clinics, enhancing our collaborative efforts with case managers and nurse practitioners at Southern California VA Hospitals, and veteran advocates at regional Vet Centers.



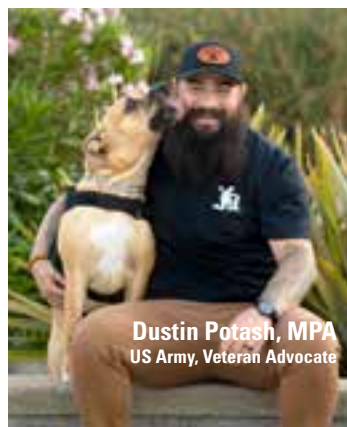
SUPPORTING OUR GRADUATES LONGTERM

Though a joyous new beginning in a positive direction, graduation for our veterans can come with challenges. We work together with the training team to engage and support our graduates to encourage and promote their continued success. We are proud to share exclusive social opportunities such as theater tickets, concert tickets, sporting events, museums, and more donated to us by our community partners as well as host social events where graduates can come together in a safe environment to continue training and share their journey with their service dog.

Shelter to Soldier works with Patient Planning Services to gather empirical data of the impact the STS program has on the mental health of veteran recipients.



Tommy Moore
US Navy, Veteran & Community
Outreach Representative



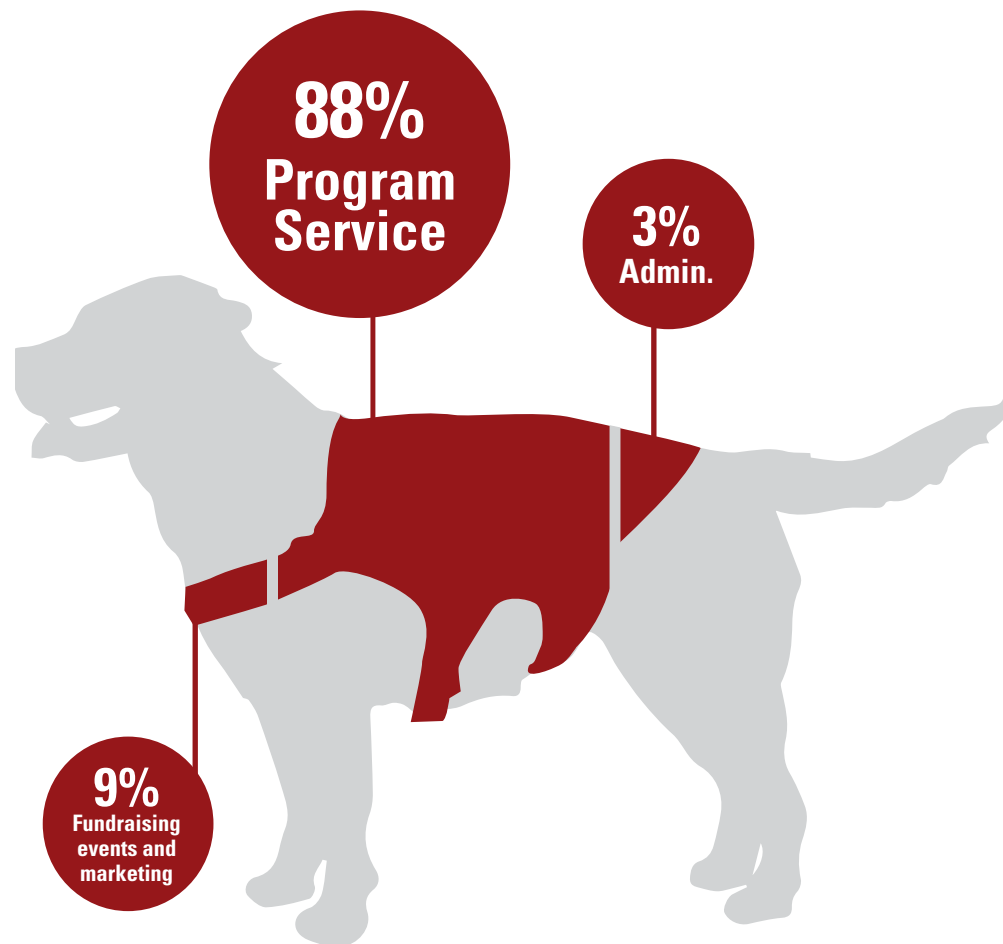
Dustin Potash, MPA
US Army, Veteran Advocate

FINANCING | A MATCH



HOW DONATIONS ARE USED

Shelter to Soldier has amazing community support and a strong volunteer team behind us. Thanks to these relationships, we are able to direct the vast majority of revenue to programs and services. Our steady growth has allowed us to build a strong leadership and administrative team to run the program efficiently. Each dollar donated has a direct impact on the success of our dogs and veterans in need.



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GRAHAM BLOEM, ABCDT CO-FOUNDER | PRESIDENT

Graham's passion for helping and working with dogs and veterans runs deep. He has been a professional dog trainer for 21 years and has extensive animal related business and management experience.

KYRIÉ BLOEM, MS CO-FOUNDER | VICE PRESIDENT

As the administrative director for our program, Kyrié plans all events and fundraising programs, serves as our grant writer, coordinates our volunteer team, and facilitates day to day operations of the charity.

KRISTYNA HOLC, CPA CO-FOUNDER | TREASURER

Krys keeps all Shelter to Soldier financials organized and ensures our program is working to its fullest potential for efficiency. She is the Vice President and CFO of Goodsell and Company CPA firm.

NICKY MOORE, BS BOARD MEMBER

Nicky is our Director of Training and Operations, and a graduate of Animal Behavior College's Professional Dog Training Certification program. Originally from Cincinnati, OH, Nicky has a Bachelors of Science degree in Business Management. Nicky joined the Shelter to Soldier team in 2017 as a Dog Training Assistant and has rapidly grown into a talented dog trainer and excellent leader, with a wealth of knowledge in this field. When she's not leading this pack, she loves doing Therapy Work with STS Canine Ambassador (and Nicky's personal dog), Moose, as well as training and hiking with her Dutch Shepherd, Bodhi and "Pocket Pittie", Swayze.

MICHAEL FORD BOARD MEMBER

Michael is a San Diego native passionate about supporting the communities in which we live and work. He has worked with Cox Communications for 14 years and is a member of their Public Affairs team, specifically focused on Community Relations and corporate giving. He currently oversees the programs and support for the Cox Charities Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Cox Communications, which to date has given over 6 million dollars throughout Southern California. Mike is passionate about animal rescue.

DR. LIZ GREY, DVM BOARD MEMBER

Dr. Grey is a veterinary doctor and owner of a private practice Carmel Mountain Ranch Veterinary Hospital, located in Carmel Mountain Ranch, San Diego. She has been practicing veterinary medicine for 33 years and her family is very patriotic. With a desire to give back to the brave men and women who protect our freedoms and a love for animals, Dr. Grey feels honored to serve on the Board of Directors for Shelter to Soldier.

DAVID MOSS, LCSW BOARD MEMBER

David has been working as a clinical social worker since 2001 in many capacities. He has had the honor of working in the private sector, public sector at the County, State, and Federal levels, multiple non-profit arenas, and in various medical, educational, research, and home health settings. Working full-time for the Department of Veteran Affairs for the past 11 years, David currently serves as the Mental Health Clinic Coordinator for the entire North County Region of San Diego providing clinical and administrative coordination/oversight of the North County Outpatient Mental Health Clinics.

BRIAN LUKACZ BOARD MEMBER

Brian is originally from the east coast but moved to San Diego when he was stationed at Camp Pendleton. Brian flew helicopters in the Marine Corps for 13 years and completed two combat tours in Iraq in '04-'05. Seeing the ravages of PTSD on his fellow veterans first hand has made him determined to help support Shelter to Soldier. He also loves dogs and has three Rhodesian Ridgebacks at home.





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