

DOG EARS

PURPOSE

Dog Ears is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing specially trained dogs to be companions and to assist the hearing impaired. Carefully screened dogs are trained to alert their owners to everyday sounds that the hearing impaired cannot hear. Depending on one's needs and lifestyle, an individual may choose a Certified Hearing Dog or a Home Companion Dog.

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FINANCIAL CRITERIA

- None

ELIGIBILITY

- Individuals with a hearing impairment.

AT SERVICES PROVIDED/COVERED

- Training for Consumer & Family

AT DEVICES PROVIDED/COVERED

- No AT devices are provided or covered.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Individuals may obtain an application by contacting Dog Ears via phone.

PIECES OF THE PUZZLE

- "Certified Hearing Dogs" are dogs that have been through an extensive training program to be of service to the deaf or hearing-impaired owner within the home as well as in public. "Home Companion Dogs" are fully trained Hearing Dogs that work only in the home.
- During the final phase of training, both the dog and the new owner live together in the Dog Ears Training Center residence while they learn to work as a team.