

## To receive an Assistance Dog application, please contact Paws With A Cause:

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## Assistance Dogs FOR VETERANS

Paws With A Cause® places custom-trained Assistance Dogs with Veterans of our Armed Forces and their family members through our partnership with the AMVETS family. PAWS® clients pay no fee for their Assistance Dogs, due to the generosity of AMVETS Posts and Auxiliaries across the country who believe in the power of Lifetimes of Independence.

Service Dogs can be trained to help Veterans with physical disabilities retrieve drop objects, pull wheelchairs, open doors, retrieve the phone, remove articles of clothing and many other tasks to help with daily living needs.

Hearing Dogs can be trained to alert Veterans with hearing impairments to everyday sounds like a telephone, a doorbell, a smoke alarm or someone calling their name.

Seizure Response Dogs can be trained to help Veterans with seizure disorders by retrieving the phone or pushing a medic alert button to call for assistance; counter balancing for individuals with balance impairments; bracing to allow a person to regain their balance; or blocking a person's path to avoid an unsafe situation.

Veterans interested in obtaining information about Assistance Dogs are encouraged to contact Paws With A Cause at 800-253-7297 or www.pawswithacause.org. To support an active and independent lifestyle for Veterans, the VA provides benefits for Service Dogs. For more information, please visit www.prosthetics.va.gov/servicedogfaq.asp.

While Erin's husband, Jason, is serving the United States in the Navy, Erin is often home alone. She could be in great danger, without Mork, her Seizure Response Dog. "He's with me every step of the way," Erin says.



"My Assistance Dog enhances my life so I can live and travel independently. Mambo has given me so much... there are no limitations now – it's really up to me." Kevin, U.S. Army Ret.



"I vaguely remember my inactivity. When I received my Service Dog, it was like someone threw a switch on inside me. PAWS changed my life around and I can't thank you enough."

David, U.S. Army Veteran

Paws With A Cause and AMVETS National Ladies Auxiliary – together, serving Veterans through custom-trained Assistance Dogs.

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