

PET THERAPY TEAM YEARBOOK



Since 2022, Purina has been helping employees transform their family pets into therapy dogs through a partnership with Duo Dogs. After completing a 16-week pet therapy certification course, our employees are eligible to volunteer at Duo Dogs-approved schools, hospitals and more. Get to know our graduating classes who are making a difference for youth mental health, one pet therapy visit at a time.









Dan & Bambi

BAMBI'S BREED:Terrier Mix

MOST LIKELY TO:Be Carried Around

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: I wanted to give back to the community and spread smiles with Bambi.





Melissa & Toula

TOULA'S BREED:Aussiedoodle

MOST LIKELY TO:
Model for "CosmoPAWlitan"

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: We love making someone's day a little brighter and spreading smiles wherever we go!



Rodney & Brooklyn

BROOKLYN'S BREED:American Staffordshire
Terrier, Chow, Lab and

MOST LIKELY TO: Steal Your Heart

Boxer Mix

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: We want to bring a bit of happiness to other people's lives.



Susan & Homer

HOMER'S BREED:Retriever Mix

MOST LIKELY TO:

Hunt Down a Squeaky Ball

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: I wanted to bring a bit of joy and smiles to stressed or lonely people.



Ellie & Hanley

HANLEY'S BREED:Golden Retriever

MOST LIKELY TO:Be in a Purina Commercial

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: I want to share the happiness and joy Hanley brings me with others in the community.



Jennifer & Betty

BETTY'S BREED:Dalmatian

MOST LIKELY TO:Steal Your Lounge Chair

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: Betty likes people, loves attention and can help brighten anyone's day.



Lisa & Ziggy

ZIGGY'S BREED:Golden Retriever

MOST LIKELY TO: Eat Everyone's Leftovers

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: Ziggy is the best at relieving stress, and I wanted to share his energy to make someone's day brighter.



Class of 2023



Cayte & Sophie

SOPHIE'S BREED:Goldendoodle

MOST LIKELY TO: Chase Chickens

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: Sophie loves to provide people with comfort and make their days a little brighter.



Doug & Kyah

KYAH'S BREED:Great Pyrenees and Collie Mix

MOST LIKELY TO: Ask for Belly Rubs

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: To share the happiness my dog brings me every day with everyone.





Jessi & Solo

SOLO'S BREED: American Pit Bull Terrier

MOST LIKELY TO: Win the Incredible Dog Challenge

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: We work for smiles.



John (JP) & Liberace

LIBERACE'S BREED:Standard Poodle

MOST LIKELY TO:Get an Over-Priced Haircut

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: Because small acts of kindness and love can help others shine bright.



Julie & Graham

GRAHAM'S BREED: English Cream Golden Retriever

MOST LIKELY TO: Nap During a Therapy Visit

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: To make a positive impact on my community and show people and pets are better together!



Megan & Izzy

IZZY'S BREED: Labrador Retriever Mix

MOST LIKELY TO:Guilt Trip You for Treats

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: To bring happiness and spread love to people in our community.

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Amanda & Fauci

FAUCI'S BREED:Labrador Retriever

MOST LIKELY TO: Sniff Out a Groundhog

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: I want to help others experience the benefits and comfort of the human-animal bond.



Amanda & Penny

PENNY'S BREED:Labradoodle

MOST LIKELY TO:Be Instagram Famous

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: Penny is a comforting and calming presence, and we want to share that with people who need it most!



Courtney & Gibbs

GIBBS'S BREED:Boxer

MOST LIKELY TO:
Show Off His Underbite

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: Gibbs loves to make people smile, and he's looking for the most beautiful smile in St. Louis.



Erin & Walker

WALKER'S BREED:German Shorthaired Pointer

MOST LIKELY TO:Become a Pro Golfer

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: To have fun with my buddy, Walker, and make a positive impact on others through smiles and pets.



Frankie & Woofie

WOOFIE'S BREED:Coton de Tulear

MOST LIKELY TO:

Squeak When Excited

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: Woofie loves people. So, we thought he would enjoy bringing smiles to those who need them most!



Amber & Lexi

LEXI'S BREED:German Shepherd Mix

MOST LIKELY TO:Spend All Day Outside

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: It gives me an opportunity to give back while also spending some one-on-one time with my furbaby.



Bev & Bernard

BERNARD'S BREED:Bernese Mountain Dog

MOST LIKELY TO: Steal Your Slippers

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER:Bernard loves meeting new people, socializing and bringing lightness and smiles.



Christina & Zena

ZENA'S BREED:Labrador Retriever

MOST LIKELY TO: Smile to Get Your Attention

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: Zena is such a sweet dog. She makes me feel happy and peaceful, and I know she can do that for others.





Jessica & Ed

ED'S BREED: Shepnees

MOST LIKELY TO: Think He's a Lap Dog

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER:

To bring others the joy that Ed brings me every day and because Ed loves to visit people.



Kayla & Ozzie

OZZIE'S BREED:Labrador Retriever

MOST LIKELY TO: Con You into Playing Fetch

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: Ozzie brings comfort and joy to everyone he meets.



Kelsey & Wicket

WICKET'S BREED:Boxer

MOST LIKELY TO: Win Longest Tongue

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: Wicket loves attention, and it's wonderful to share the uplifting feeling that can come with petting a dog.



Laura & Zoey

ZOEY'S BREED:Goldendoodle

MOST LIKELY TO: Help Herself to Human Food

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER:

Zoey has always made people smile and laugh, so we thought we could help others who could use a smile.



Molly & Charlie

CHARLIE'S BREED:Labrador Retriever

MOST LIKELY TO: Hold Paws with You

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: Meeting new people brings Charlie pure happiness. We wanted to share that while making a positive impact.





Rachel & Aspen

ASPEN'S BREED:Rescue Mix

MOST LIKELY TO: Drool While Watching You Eat

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: I like to make people smile!



Tricia & Apollo

APOLLO'S BREED:Labrador Retriever

MOST LIKELY TO: Bark at the Delivery Truck

THE REASON I VOLUNTEER: Apollo brings so much joy to our family. I want to share him with others so he can bring them joy, too.

