

Apply for a Service or Facility Dog



Brigadoon
SERVICE DOGS

The admissions process is multi-tiered. At the completion of each step, the applicant will be notified as to whether or not they are invited to progress to the next one.

The admissions process usually takes 4–8 months, depending on how quickly we receive required documents and can schedule interviews. While we aim to place dogs within two years, wait times can vary based on making the best possible dog-to-handler match.

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Eligibility Questionnaire

Fill out the PDF form at brigadoondogs.org/apply



2

Application & Health Forms

Complete the formal application and have your health forms completed by your health care provider



3

Virtual Interview

Talk with the Brigadoon team about your needs and interest



4

Home Visit

A team member and dog visit your home to assess compatibility, environment, and coach you on basic handling skills



5

Selection Review

If admitted, qualified applicants receive intake paperwork and are placed on the waitlist



6

Meet & Greet

Set up a time to come and meet potential service dog matches



7

Invitation to Team Training

Join us for a 2-week Team Training class to train with your service dog



Connect with Brigadoon Service Dogs

brigadoondogs.org/apply

client-applicants@brigadoondogs.org

360-733-5388

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Eligibility Questionnaire

Thank you for your interest in partnering with a service dog from Brigadoon Service Dogs.

If you are a veteran seeking a service dog, please do not complete this form. Instead, download the veteran-specific eligibility questionnaire at brigadoondogs.org/apply.

To determine whether our program is the right fit for you, we first need to learn more about your needs and circumstances. Completing this **eligibility questionnaire** is a required first step in the process. **This is not the formal application.**

Before completing this questionnaire, please review the information below to help you decide whether to apply.

I understand that Brigadoon Service Dogs does not train or place dogs for:

- Guide work for individuals who are blind or visually impaired
- Seizure or diabetic alert/response
- Balance support while walking
- Supervision, navigation, safety from environmental hazards
- Personal protection, guarding, blocking or alerting to the presence of people
- Solely providing emotional comfort or social support

I understand that eligibility for this admission cycle is limited to:

- Individuals living in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, or British Columbia
- Applicants aged 16 or older. Applicants under 18 must include the signature of a legal guardian

Submitting this eligibility questionnaire is the first step of the admissions process for all applicants. Once submitted, our Client Services team will review the questionnaire, which typically takes **4-6 weeks**. If our program aligns with an applicant's goals and needs, they will be invited by email to complete a comprehensive formal application.

Please complete this questionnaire and email the finished form to:
client-applicants@brigadoondogs.org



Contact Information

Full Name of Applicant: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Name of Guardian (if applicable): _____ Relation: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State/Province: _____ ZIP: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

If different from above, please list the address where the service dog will live:

Address: _____ City: _____ State/Province: _____ ZIP: _____

Are you now or have you ever been a Brigadoon client? No Yes

Household Information

Applicant Status (check all that apply)

Working Full/Part Time Student Retired Disabled Caring for Dependent Other

Housing Type: _____ Do you rent or own your home? _____

How long have you lived in your current residence? _____

Do you have plans to move within the next twelve months? Yes No Unsure

Including yourself, how many people currently live in your household? Adults: _____ Children: _____

How many animals live in your household? Dogs: _____ Cats: _____ Other (specify): _____

Our service dogs are not hypo-allergenic. Are you comfortable living with a shedding dog? Yes No

Are you able to afford dog food, supplies, and care, averaging \$250/month? Yes No

Are you able to provide income/asset documentation to verify this, should you be asked? Yes No

Are you able to ensure that a Brigadoon dog receives at least 1 hour of exercise per day, independent of any service work or tasking the dog may do? Yes No

Have you or any member of your household ever been convicted of animal abuse? Yes No

Type of Service Dog You are Seeking

What type of service dog are you applying for? Check all that apply.

Physical or mobility assistance Psychiatric condition assistance (e.g., PTSD, anxiety, depression)

Intellectual disability assistance Neurodivergence assistance (e.g., Autism, ADHD)

Provide hearing alert Guiding (e.g., for blind or visually impaired handler)

Medical alert (e.g., seizure, diabetes, cardiac) Cognitive decline assistance (e.g., dementia, Alzheimer's)



The average waiting period to placement is 1 to 2 years from when you are admitted into our program. Does this timeline work for you?

Yes No

Have you applied for a service dog from another organization? Yes No

If yes, which organization (s)? What is the current status of that application?

Your Participation in Training

Are you able to travel to the Brigadoon campus in Bellingham, Washington for meet & greet sessions with prospective matching dogs (1 to 5 times?) Yes No

Are you able to travel to the Brigadoon campus in Bellingham, Washington to train for 10 to 14 consecutive days at the time of placement? Yes No

Are you able to travel to the Brigadoon campus in Bellingham, Washington 6 months after placement for follow-up care and certification? Yes No

Are you able to travel to the Brigadoon campus in Bellingham, Washington annually thereafter for the life of the dog/partnership? Yes No

Are you able to travel to the Brigadoon campus in Bellingham, Washington as needed, should additional in-person training help be required? Yes No

Are you able to commit to daily training (15 minutes/day) throughout your partnership with the dog? Yes No

Are you and the members of your household committed to following the dog care and training policies and guidelines provided by Brigadoon Service Dogs? Yes No

Brigadoon clients are asked to commit to fundraising \$10,000 toward the cost of their service dog. Are you able to make this commitment? Yes No

Your Signature: _____ Today's Date: _____
Guardian signature if under 18 years-old