

Meet our Newest Future Service Dogs!

Circle Tail welcomed 14 puppies into the world recently. Jaylah's 6 pups were born on Easter, and Quizz's 8 pups were born on Mother's Day.



You can help them become happy, confident service dogs. How?

Sponsor a Puppy

For \$2000, you can sponsor one of our service puppies in training. Your gift covers food, medical care, transportation, and training for the first year of a pup's life, and you'll receive photos and updates of his/her progress. To donate, go to circletail.org.

Become a Foster Family

Every day, our foster families make a difference, by housing, reinforcing training, and nurturing Circle Tail assistance dogs in training. To learn more, visit circletail.org or email volunteer@circletail.org.

And be sure to watch these cuties grow and learn on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

Staff Spotlight *Our spotlight shines on Chiaki*



Chiaki writes, "I came to the United States in 2003 from Japan to learn how to train service dogs. Since 2005, I have found a home at Circle Tail.

My main job is training the service dogs before they are placed with clients. I get great joy seeing a puppy grow and learn skills and then matching well with a client.

I also enjoy fostering service dogs and taking them on outings. The outings also give me a chance to educate people about the importance of service dogs.

It is always hard for me to place the dogs with clients because I love them and will miss them, but it also makes me very proud. I know these dogs will enhance the client's life. I love to see the clients' smiles and the dogs' wagging tails while they are working."

Check out Circle Tail's website and calendar for:

Pet first aid classes, dog training classes, campus tour, community education events, and fundraising events!

www.circletail.org



Team Spotlight

Renee & Keen



Renee was partnered with service dog Keen in 2018. She writes, "If not for my Circle Tail dogs, I would not be the person I am today. I would not be as mobile, confident and capable. They gave me back my life.

In 2002 I had a surgery go horribly wrong. Instead of waking up the next day, I woke up from a coma three months later. I was left with some serious deficits: traumatic brain injury, loss of cognitive function, PTSD, balance issues, decrease in motor skills, and more. I thought my life was over.

In July 2004, Nixa came into my life. Nixa picked up the hundreds of things I dropped in a day, leaned into me when I started to lose my balance, and gave me the confidence to push myself to walk. I began to think with Nixa's help perhaps I could have a life. I was not defective or unworthy. I was one-half of team Nixa. Nixa crossed over the rainbow bridge in 2010. I refused to go back to pre-Nixa days.

Mario came into my life March 2011. I had high expectations for him. Mario exceeded them all. Mario gave me the confidence to travel more; his extroverted behavior helped me be more social.

Mario retired in April 2018. He now lives with our vet, is well loved, and enjoys retirement.

Keen and I have been matched almost a year now. Keen is sweet, calm, charming, and an astounding service dog. He knows what I'm thinking, almost before I do. Keen's eyes draw me in and envelop me in support and love.

Nixa, Mario, and Keen have given me far more than I ever expected. Each has given me safety, confidence, bravery, joy, smiles and laughter."

Volunteer Spotlight

Our spotlight shines on Jayne



Jayne writes, "I first became aware of Circle Tail when I attended the volunteer orientation with my son in 2009 and became reacquainted when a friend began posting Circle Tail pictures on Facebook several years ago. Since retiring in 2015, I have been searching for volunteer opportunities which will be flexible enough to fit our busy travel schedule and began socializing puppies in late 2017. Currently, I have a goal to use my sales and administrative background to publicize the inspirational mission of Circle Tail through speaking engagements and fundraising (after honing my dog handling skills!). I love watching the sweet pups find their true purpose in life...and am trying to do the same myself."



Circle Tail Ambassador Ozone with Brian Thomas of 55KRC.