

Update: Facility Dog, Corr

Circle Tail's first school dog placement was in 2016 at Collins Elementary in Florence, KY. Corr is a very busy dog - you can find him being walked through the building with the Principal, checking on students from pre-school to 5th grade.



Principal Loring writes, "Corr also has several students he meets with on a regular basis for social emotional support in the building. The students appreciate Corr being a great, non-judgmental listener to all the areas in their lives they may need to talk about. Corr helps several students in the building to help calm their anxiety in classroom situations. The faculty and staff at Collins also seek out Corr when they are having a challenging day and need help to de-stress and refocus.

Corr has really missed working with the students and the adults in the building surrounding COVID 19. He has participated in virtual meetings but is ready to get back to seeing the students at Collins and helping support their needs.

Recently Corr's picture was on Cincinnati's Local 12. He wrote the anchors, telling them, 'I am the school therapy dog at Collins Elementary School in Florence, KY and I REALLY miss all 805 of my students VERY MUCH! I know some of them probably need to see me just as much as I need to see them! I just really need them to know how much I love them and can't wait to see them again!'"

Thank you Corr, for brightening so many lives!

New Building Update



The new Living & Learning Center is almost finished! Despite COVID-19, the construction has continued safely making progress.



dogs and the people they serve.

This new center will house our adult dogs and provide a more comfortable space for staff and volunteers. The building will increase our capacity to train, enhance, and assist in the lives of our

We still need your help! There are naming opportunities available, from kennel runs to rooms. Check out our website, circletail.org/donate/naming-opportunities

Throughout the process, Miles, the Circle Tail cat is found supervising the crew and machinery, always looking for love!



Meet Circle Tail Alum, Phoenix

Phoenix was adopted over 13 years ago...Circle Tail didn't train diabetes alert dogs then, but apparently Phoenix was ahead of his time! His adopter, Kathy, writes, "I just wanted to send you an update on one of the most amazing dogs I have ever had the pleasure of living with...Phoenix who will be 14 on June 21. I adopted Phoenix when he was 6 months old from Circle Tail, and within 2 months of living with me, he began to notify me when my blood sugars were too high or too low. I am taking a medication that masks the feelings of high and low blood sugars until they are extremely high or low, and if it weren't for him, I don't think I would be alive today. His signal to me is by whining or barking, and he refuses to let up until he sees I take action. Once he sees that I took my blood sugar and have either taken insulin or drank juice, he will calm down. He is such an amazing dog that he would also signal when others in our home were having the same issues. Even though he didn't make it through the training program, he has found his own special niche, and has enriched my life for 14 years now.



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



Staff Spotlight

*Service Dog Trainer / Kennel Assistant,
Alisha*

Our staff spotlight shines on Alisha. Alisha writes, "As a service dog trainer, my job is to work with each dog on their own individual skills, along with preparing them for real life scenarios/situations that they are going to experience when they get partnered as service dogs. As a Kennel Assistant, I'm responsible for feeding, exercising, and cleaning up after them, while maintaining basic commands that apply to their everyday lives as future service dogs.



I absolutely love my job, and I love spending time with every one of them! Each one is special in their own way, and they have their own unique personalities that make them stand out from the rest! Just spending time with them brings a smile to my face, and I love the fact that each has the potential to change someone's life."

We Miss Our Volunteers...

Due to COVID-19, we had stopped all volunteer activities onsite in March. We are slowly inviting volunteers back onsite in a controlled manner, following the recommended safety guidelines. We are hoping that we can open back up soon to welcome back all our wonderful volunteers.

One of our trusty volunteers, Chris, has started his weekly treks around the property with the puppies again.

