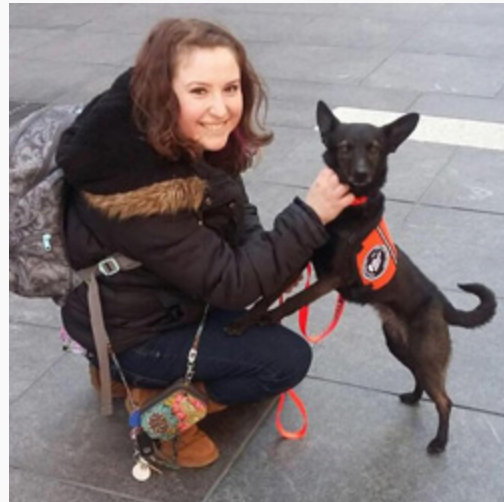




Recent hearing dog placement

From Paige W. mother of Client Shayna W, of CT. and her Hearing Dog Lileu. “I wish I could bottle Shayna's happiness and excitement and share it with you. It's absolutely tangible. Because of Lileu and her job, she is the happiest she's been in many, many years. I don't think I realized the weight of being hearing impaired. The effort of getting through day to day life. Thanks to Dog's for the Deaf, with Lileu coming, she's glowing and blossoming”.



Shayna and Lileu



Ian and Parker, Autism program

Dogs For the Deaf presented their first trained autism canine to 10-year-old Parker S. of Oregon. The fifth-grader loves animals and his new dog Ian is more than just a pet. Ian is a part of the family and a big help for the boy who has autism. "You don't ever know until they're in your home if this is going to be a beautiful match and seriously I can't think of a better dog to help support my son," his mom Emilie Wylde said. Emilie said her son benefits from his four legged friend as he faces unique challenges. "Ian soothes Parker and is able to when Parker is escalated bring him down a little bit." Ian also helps Parker relate to others, builds his confidence in social situations, and teaches him responsibility.



Dog Walk 2016

John Drach, Dogs for the Deaf Training Director lead the way at the 25th Annual Dog Walk. John created Dog Walk in order to bring the community together and educate the public about our mission. This year's theme was the "Silver Screen". Participants dressed their dogs as their favorite movie stars or characters. It was a great day of entertainment, food and outreach.