



# The Investor Report

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## Jennifer & Wellie ~ A Love Story



It was love at first site for Jennifer. Wellie, a beautiful golden lab, became her "plus-one" from the first day she was delivered by the trainer from Dogs for Better Lives.

She was the proud handler of a professionally trained Hearing Assistance Dog, alerting her to sounds inside and outside of her home.

The story below came as an email from Jennifer about a recent experience she wanted to share.

In turn, we want to share it with you as a sweet reminder of how much your investment of love means to dogs like Wellie and clients like Jennifer.

From all of us at Dogs for Better Lives, Wellie, and Jennifer - Thank You!

You are making a difference.

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This new chapter in my life is uncharted territory. Going out and meeting new people; seizing the moment despite what obstacles may be in front of me.

Recently, I was faced with a massive obstacle; my hearing aid broke into two pieces and I had a huge fundraising event to go to that night for our local animal shelter. I was devastated that my hearing aid had broken and not a single repair center was open on a Saturday. I cried, had a bit of a meltdown and then I realized, I have Wellie!

My amazing plus-one will be going with me and there was no reason to be upset or to feel ashamed that I wouldn't have my bionic ears. I have a better set of ears that walks beside me.

So I gave myself a pep talk and decided that I was going to walk in there with my head held high, be proud of who I am and that I would enjoy the evening. Thanks to Wellie, that is exactly what I did.

Before Wellie, I never would have gone. At least, not without my hearing aid, fearing that I would not be able to hear "something"!

Having Wellie with me meant that I was comfortable in my skin. Comfortable with who I am - even at a fancy cocktail fundraiser. Wellie, was the belle of the ball and was so professional. I was so proud of her - of me - but most of all, of us and our partnership.

Thank you! You have blessed me with a beautiful gift.

*Jennifer, Hearing Assistance Dog Client, Pennsylvania.*

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Our mission at Dogs for Better Lives is to professionally train dogs to help people and enhance lives while maintaining a lifelong commitment to all dogs we rescue or breed and the people we serve.

The Investor's Report is a quarterly eNewsletter that goes to those who have been making a significant investment in the important work we do to save the lives of dogs and enrich the lives of people.



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