

What Does it Mean to be a Puppy Raiser for a Guide Dog School?

Puppy raisers are volunteers who agree to raise a puppy that one day may become a guide dog. The puppies are given to qualified volunteer puppy raisers at approximately eight weeks of age and live with the volunteer until it is between the ages of 13-18 months old. During this time it is the raiser's responsibility to teach the puppies good house manners, basic obedience, and to socialize them. No experience is required to become a puppy raiser. If you are interested in becoming a puppy raiser please contact:

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To learn more about puppy raising visit:

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Guide Dogs for the Blind, Inc.
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Guide Dogs of the Desert
http://www.guidedogsofthedesert.org/puppy_raising.html