

HEARTLAND CANINES FOR VETERANS INC

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HEARTLAND CANINES FOR VETERANS INC

 aka Heartlandk9s

 Neosho, MO

 <https://heartlandk9s.org/>

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MISSION

Heartland Canines for Veterans is a non-profit organization that specializes in pairing Service Animals with Veterans who are living with Post-Traumatic Stress, anxiety or depressive issues. Our team is made up of professional dog breeders, trainers and executive staff, all of whom are committed to a common goal: helping our Nation's Veterans

Our organization bears the cost of procuring, caring for and training Service Dog candidates, so that they may be paired with a Veteran who is living with mobility issues, anxiety, depression or Post-Traumatic Stress. This service is offered to the Veteran AT NO COST to them, in the hope that they may experience relief from their illnesses or injuries.

EIN

47-4991572

RULING YEAR

2015

IRS SUBSECTION

501(c)(3) Public Charity

FOUNDING YEAR

2015

MAIN ADDRESS

12651 Gateway Dr
Neosho, MO
64850

AFFILIATION TYPE

Independent Organization

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Jimmy Burgess

BOARD CHAIR

Chris Fleming

SUBJECT AREA

Animal welfare

Animal training

Human-animal interactions

Prosthetics

Independent living for people
with disabilities

Special population support

NTEE Code

Military/Veterans'
Organizations (W30)

Animal Training, Behavior (D61)

Health Support Services (E60)

PROGRAMS

1. Operation Heal

Population(s) served:

2. One Of Us

Population(s) served:

3. Heartland Ambassador

Population(s) served:Veterans, People with disabilities, Veterans, People with disabilities, Veterans, People with disabilities, Military personnel, Retired people

POPULATIONS SERVED

1. People with disabilities

2. Military personnel

3. Veterans

COMPLIANCE

- ✓ IRS Pub 78 Verified as of March 2024
- ✓ IRS BMF 509(a) (2) as of March 12, 2024
Section 509(a)(2) organization

TRANSPARENCY MEASURES

- ✓ Board Practices Reported?
- ✓ Diversity Data Reported?

Programs & Results

PROGRAMS

Source: Self-Reported by Organization,
January 2024

Operation Heal

Population(s) Served:

Veterans
People with disabilities

This campaign has a two-fold mission and desired outcome: First, to identify disabled Veterans that will benefit from a Service Dog; second, to screen and identify potential canine candidates for entry in to the Service Dog Training Program. It is our hope to pair 8-12 deserving Veterans with a Service Dog in 2023, so that they may experience relief from their illnesses / injuries.

travel to businesses, facilities, organizations and event to provided education and demonstrations on the benefits and responsibilities of a Service Dog Team. This campaign is perfect for organizations that would like to:
Promote a grand opening or other event for your business
Educate your employees on service dogs
Educate you patrons on service dogs
Ask questions about our different campaigns
Learn about ADA rules and laws
Support HK9 and spread the word about our programs and service dog capabilities

One Of Us

Population(s) Served: n/a

The "One of Us" Campaign was designed to create more than an opportunity for organizations to give and Veterans to receive. We believe in life-long bonds and partnerships. This campaign gives organizations an opportunity to invest in the success of a specific Veteran and their K-9 partner, now, and for years to come.
Partner business, company, or organization choose the name of the K-9. Each campaign partner donation covers all training for the K-9 and Veteran Team, routine veterinarian care, all the gear, equipment, kenneling and administrative costs for the K-9 Team.

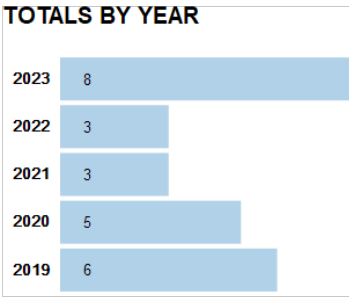
Heartland Ambassador

Population(s) Served: n/a

The Heartland Ambassador program gives employees and patrons an opportunity to see a service dog in action! Our HK9 Ambassadors

RESULTS

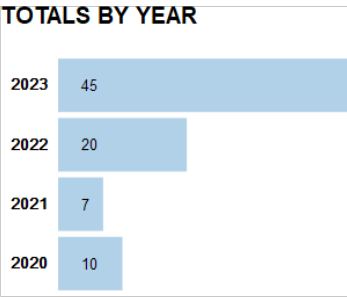
Number of trainees successfully carrying out desired practices at least once to appropriate problems



Population(s) Served: No target populations selected

Related program: Operation Heal

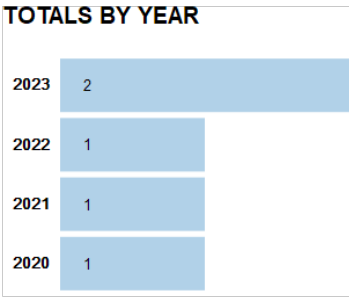
Average online donation



Population(s) Served: No target populations selected

Related program: Operation Heal

Number of people returning for successor service dogs



Population(s) Served: No target populations selected

Related program: Operation Heal

CHARTING IMPACT

What is the organization aiming to accomplish?

Our five-year vision is to increase the number of Trained PTSD Service Dog teams among Veterans in the Joplin, MO area by at least double thereby improving conditions for the individual, family members and the community. Studies show for each Veteran Suicide more than 125 other individuals are affected. Our program can contribute to significant increase in task trained teams thereby reducing pain and anguish in our community. Quantifiable outcomes will be evidenced by the number of Task Trained Service Dog Teams produced each year. Our goal of 8 Trained Teams in 2023 will increase to at least 16 Trained Teams in 2024 which we will sustain or increase in forward years.

What are the organization's key strategies for making this happen?

Our plan to hire a full-time Service Dog Trainer will address several Health Barriers as indicated by the OneJoplin Pathways to Prosperity. Several prevalent health issues garnering attention in the Veteran community are also leading factors in the Regional Health Assessment referred to by OneJoplin. The prevalence of diabetes, heart and lung disease, poor mental health and substance abuse are all issues our program can help alleviate as we train more Service Dog Teams which will be a direct outcome of hiring a Veteran full-time Dog Trainer. The health issue we are focused on is mainly Post Traumatic Stress and accompanying Depression and possible Suicidal Tendencies. Depression prevalence is not well-enough understood in our region but PTSD is prevalent in our Veteran community. Suicide rate is higher than self-reported depression rate would suggest. Funding this request will ensure we are able to hire a full-time trainer and address the issues commonly found in Veterans with PTSD which include depression and suicidal idealization.

What are the organization's capabilities for doing this?

We have significantly increased our corporate and individual donations in the first 5 months of 2023. This will allow us the funds to train more Service K9 Teams. Our media and community outreach efforts have facilitated this dramatic increase of donations and our Executive Director and Board of Directors are actively pursuing business networking opportunities to continue this growth.

What have and haven't they accomplished so far?

In the first 5 months of 2023 we have trained more Service K9 Teams than all of 2021 and 2022 combined. This is an astounding accomplishment which is a direct result of hiring a new Executive Director with the vision and drive to "Move the Needle"!

Financials

FISCAL YEAR START: 01/01 FISCAL YEAR END: 12/31

Revenue & Expenses

Revenue		2022
Contributions		\$17,906
Program Services		\$0
Investments		\$0
Special Events		\$3,094
Sales		\$0
Other		\$0
Total Revenue		\$21,000
Expenses		
Grants		\$0
Salaries & Employee Benefits		\$7,535
Professional Fees		\$15,611
Occupancy		\$0
Printing, Publications, Postage, etc.		\$834
Other Expenses		\$28,832
Total Expenses		\$52,812
Net Gain/Loss		
Net Gain/Loss		-\$31,812

Balance Sheet

Assets	1/1/2022	12/31/2022	Change
Cash & Equivalent	\$38,675	\$8,238	-\$30,437
Fixed Assets (LBE - Depreciation)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Assets	\$38,675	\$8,238	-\$30,437
Liabilities	1/1/2022	12/31/2022	Change
Total Liabilities:	\$0	\$1,375	\$1,375
Fund Balance	1/1/2022	12/31/2022	Change
Net Assets:	\$38,675	\$6,863	-\$31,812

☒ 'Key Revenue & Expense Data from Form 990'

☒ 'Key Balance Sheet Data from Form 990'

Operations

Source: Self-Reported by Organization, January 2024

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Jimmy Burgess

[LinkedIn profile](#)

Jimmy joined the HK9 Team in November of 2022. A disabled Veteran, he shares a passion for the HK9 mission. Jimmy is married and has two boys, Ethan, 20, who is currently in Wisconsin working in public relations and Ryne, 18, who is currently serving in the United States Marine Corps. His military service included three tours to Iraq with the 160TH Special Operations Aviation Regiment as well as many TDY missions to South America. His Service K9 Riley is currently in her obedience training phase.

BOARD CHAIR

Chris Fleming

Heartland Canines for Veterans

Term: 2017 - 2024

BOARD MEMBERS

Travis Lewis

Treasurer/Heartland Canines for Veterans

Courtney Farley

VP/Heartland Canines for Veterans

James Childers

Board Member/Heartland Canines for Veterans

Desiree Bridenstein

Secretary/Heartland Canines for Veterans

Rob Wood

Board Member/Heartland Canines for Veterans

Nikki Campbell

Board Member/Heartland Canines for Veterans

Officers Directors, Trustees, Key Employees

FISCAL YEAR 2022

Name	Title	Compensation	Benefits/Deferred Compensation	Expense Account, Other
Chris Fleming	President	\$0	\$0	\$0
Travis Lewis	Treasurer	\$0	\$0	\$0
Courtney Farley	Vice President	\$0	\$0	\$0
Lashay Swem	Secretary	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sarah Novotny	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
James Childers	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0

Officers Directors, Trustees, Key Employees

FISCAL YEAR 2021

Name	Title	Compensation	Benefits/Deferred Compensation	Expense Account, Other
Chris Fleming	President	\$0	\$0	\$0
Travis Lewis	Treasurer	\$0	\$0	\$0
Courtney Farley	Vice President	\$0	\$0	\$0
Lashay Swem	Secretary	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sarah Novotny	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
James Childers	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0

Officers Directors, Trustees, Key Employees

FISCAL YEAR 2020

Name	Title	Compensation	Benefits/Deferred Compensation	Expense Account, Other
Chris Fleming	President	\$0	\$0	\$0
Travis Lewis	Treasurer	\$0	\$0	\$0
Courtney Farley	Vice President	\$0	\$0	\$0
Lashay Swem	Secretary	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sarah Novotny	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
James Childers	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0

Officers Directors, Trustees, Key Employees

FISCAL YEAR 2019

Name	Title	Compensation	Benefits/Deferred Compensation	Expense Account, Other
Chris Fleming	President	\$0	\$0	\$0
Travis Lewis	Treasurer	\$0	\$0	\$0
Courtney Farley	Vice President	\$0	\$0	\$0
Lashay Swem	Secretary	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sarah Novotny	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
James Childers	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0

Officers Directors, Trustees, Key Employees

FISCAL YEAR 2018

Name	Title	Compensation	Benefits/Deferred Compensation	Expense Account, Other
Chris Fleming	President	\$0	\$0	\$0
Travis Lewis	Treasurer	\$0	\$0	\$0
Courtney Farley	Vice President	\$0	\$0	\$0
Lashay Swem	Secretary	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sarah Novotny	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0
James Childers	Director	\$0	\$0	\$0

Paid Preparers
FISCAL YEAR 2022

Firm Name	Firm EIN	Firm Address	Firm Phone
COMPTON CPA GROUP PC	431698501	112 N WOOD ST, NEOSHO MO 64850	4174512932

Paid Preparers
FISCAL YEAR 2021

Firm Name	Firm EIN	Firm Address	Firm Phone
KELLY & COMPTON CPAS PC	431698501	PO BOX 368, NEOSHO MO 64850	4174512932

Paid Preparers
FISCAL YEAR 2020

Firm Name	Firm EIN	Firm Address	Firm Phone
KELLY & COMPTON CPAS PC	43-1698501	PO BOX 368, NEOSHO MO 64850 USA	417-451-2932

BOARD LEADERSHIP PRACTICES

GuideStar worked with BoardSource, the national leader in nonprofit board leadership and governance, to create this section, which enables organizations and donors to transparently share information about essential board leadership practices.

BOARD ORIENTATION & EDUCATION

Does the board conduct a formal orientation for new board members and require all board members to sign a written agreement regarding their roles, responsibilities, and expectations?

Yes

CEO OVERSIGHT

Has the board conducted a formal, written assessment of the chief executive within the past year?

Yes

ETHICS & TRANSPARENCY

Have the board and senior staff reviewed the conflict-of-interest policy and completed and signed disclosure statements in the past year?

Yes

BOARD COMPOSITION

Does the board ensure an inclusive board member recruitment process that results in diversity of thought and leadership?

Yes

BOARD PERFORMANCE

Has the board conducted a formal, written self-assessment of its performance within the past three years?

Yes

Organizational Demographics

Who works and leads organizations that serve our diverse communities? This organization has voluntarily shared information to answer this important question and to support sector-wide learning. GuideStar partnered on this section with CHANGE Philanthropy and Equity in the Center.

Leadership

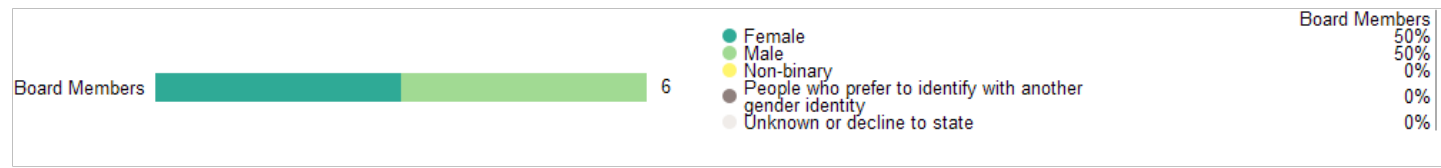
The organization's leader identifies as:

Race & Ethnicity	White/Caucasian/European
Gender Identity	Male
Sexual Orientation	Decline to state
Disability Status	Person with a disability

Race & Ethnicity

No data

Gender Identity

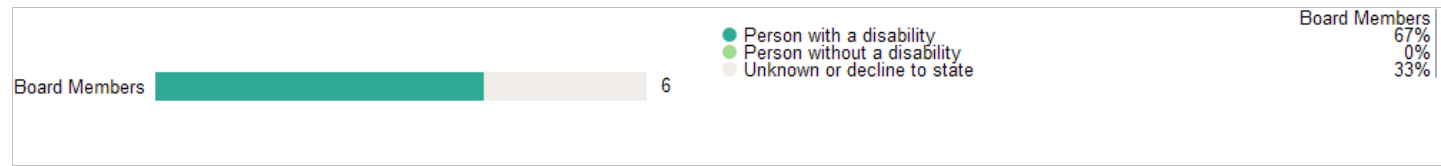


Transgender Identity

Sexual Orientation

No data

Disability



Equity Strategies *Last Updated: 02/09/2023*

Candid partnered with Equity in the Center - a project that works to shift mindsets, practices, and systems within the social sector to increase racial equity - to create this section. [Learn More](#)

Data

✓ We have long-term strategic plans and measurable goals for creating a culture such that one's race identity has no influence on how they fare within the organization.

Policies and processes

✓ We help senior leadership understand how to be inclusive leaders with learning approaches that emphasize reflection, iteration, and adaptability.

Appendix

Key Documents

IRS Forms 990	2022 990
	2021 990
	2021 990
	2020 990
	2019 990
IRS Forms 990T	Not Available
Audited Financial Statements	Not Available
Key Organization Documents	Letter of Determination
	'Key Revenue & Expense Data from Form 990'
	'Key Balance Sheet Data from Form 990'

HEARTLAND CANINES FOR VETERANS INC

Aka Heartlandk9s

12651 Gateway Dr
Neosho, MO 64850

✓ Foundation Status Code: PC*

✓ Public charity described in section 509(a)(1) or (2)

IRS Publication 78 Details			IRS Pub 78 verified
Organization name	Location	Most recent IRS Publication 78	
Heartland Canines for Veterans Inc.	Neosho, MO	March 2024	
EIN	<u>Deductibility status description</u>	Verified with most recent Internal Revenue Bulletin	
47-4991572	A public charity (50% deductibility limitation).	March 25, 2024	

IRS Business Master File Details			IRS BMF	509(a)(2)
Organization name	Most recent IRS BMF	Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status		
HEARTLAND CANINES FOR VETERANS INC	March 12 2024	Section 509(a)(2) organization		
EIN	IRS subsection	Ruling date		
47-4991572	This organization is a <u>501(c)(3) Public Charity</u>	11/2015		
This organization was not included in the Office of Foreign Assets Control Specially Designated Nationals (SDN) list.				

On September 8, 2011, the IRS issued [regulations](#) which eliminated the advance ruling process for a section 501(c)(3) organization. [Learn more](#)

* The Foundation Status Code is the code that foundations are required to provide for each grantee annually on part XV of Form 990PF. Note that this code cannot be derived in some cases (e.g., supporting organizations for which 'type' can't be determined).

[IRS Revenue Procedure 2011-33](#) allows grantors to rely on third-party resources, such as GuideStar Charity Check, to obtain required Business Master File (BMF) data concerning a potential grantee's public charity classification under section 509 (a) (1), (2) or (3).

GuideStar Charity Check Data Sources	
-GuideStar acquires all IRS data directly from the Internal Revenue Service.	-The IRS Automatic Revocation of Exemption List contains organizations that have had their federal tax-exempt status automatically revoked for failing to file an annual return or notice with the IRS for three consecutive years.
- IRS Publication 78 (Cumulative List of Organizations) lists organizations that have been recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions.	-The Foundation Status Code is a value derived by mapping the codes found on the 990PF filing instructions to the corresponding codes in the IRS BMF. Note that not all codes are able to be mapped due to insufficient data.
-The IRS Internal Revenue Bulletin (IRB) lists changes in charitable status since the last Publication 78 release. Between the release of IRS Publication 78 and the subsequent IRS Internal Revenue Bulletin, the IRB date will reflect the most recent release date of IRS Publication 78.	-The Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated Nationals (SDN) list organizations that are owned or controlled by targeted individuals, groups, and entities, such as terrorists or narcotics traffickers. Their assets are blocked and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from dealing with them.
-The IRS Business Master File lists approximately 1.7 million nonprofits registered with the IRS as tax-exempt organizations.	