

Imagine the moment you walk into a room with your dog where you are changing the mood and bringing smiles to people's faces. Or you may be helping children struggling with confidence issues to improve their reading literacy skills and overall academic performance. Sharing your time and your dog with those less fortunate is very rewarding and gratifying.

Consider getting involved with Community Therapy Dogs Society. Volunteers are welcome with or without dogs in and around the Calgary area.

## **Corporate Sponsorships**

Please contact us to discuss types of opportunities currently available.

We are entirely volunteer-driven and have been a Registered Charity with CRA since 2015.

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**One Time Donation** – all donations \$20 and over will receive tax receipts.

Ways to Donate

**Donate in Memory** of a beloved pet, family member or friend.

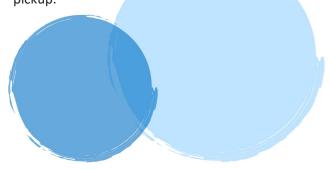
**Monthly Donations** – we are setup for automatic and convenient donation processing.

"It's amazing how much love and laughter they bring into our lives and even how much we become one with each other because of them." John Grogan

**Matching Gifts** – many employers have a corporate philanthropy program to match employees' gifts.

**Planned Giving** – speak with your lawyer or financial advisor about leaving a bequest, gift of insurance, or publically listed security.

**Skip-the-Depot** - donate your empty bottles. Download the Skip-the-Depot app and arrange for pickup.



## About Us

Our passion is to enhance the communities where we live, work, and play through bringing comfort and happiness with our therapy dogs.

Dog therapy helps to brighten someone's day, eases stress, and comforts people when dealing with loneliness or loss. It often helps children, dealing with emotional and behavioural issues, improve academic engagement and improve reading literacy.

Community Therapy Dogs Society volunteer visits happen where invitations are extended and arranged with our Coordinators. Visits are in public settings such as schools, hospitals, nursing homes, and libraries. All dogs in our programs are obedience and temperment tested and volunteers have full police background checks.

## Programs

**Caring Tails** – designed to help cope with work or school related stressors, assist students with emotional or behavioural challenges, or provide comfort after traumatic events or losses.

**Listening Tails** – a program setup to help children improve confidence and reading literacy. Children read out loud once per week for 6 weeks in a quiet school or library environment.

**Visiting Tails** - intended to enhance senior's quality of life through interaction with therapy dogs. The dogs spend time at nursing home visits leashed and accompanied by their handler.

This program has been extended to hospital and hospice settings to comfort patients, their families, and staff.