



Supporting Our Military, Veterans and their Beloved Pets since 2005.

Founder's Message

Our sincere hope that individuals, businesses, and military/veteran organizations will help Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet continue its mission and purpose by financially supporting our programs and the MVP Sanctuary project outside of Gatesville, TX (approx 14 miles west of Fort Hood) during the last month of 2013.



As we are an ALL volunteer 501c3 nonprofit public charity we are completely dependent on Direct and Indirect Public Support to continue our mission in support of our military and veteran communities we can really use your financial support during December 2014.

From all of us at Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet we wish you a very happy, healthy, and safe Christmas and New Year's.

Respectfully and Angel HUGS from TX,

Linda Spurlin-Dominik
Founder

December 1 2014

Who We Are:

Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet® is a national all-volunteer 501(c)3 Military and Veteran Support Organization assisting active duty service members, wounded warriors, veterans, and their beloved companion animals or assistance service canines through various assistance programs.

These programs include: the Military and Veteran Pet Foster Home Program, Military Pet Assistance fund, and the Warriors' Angels Program (TX only).

Unless stated otherwise programs are available in all 50 states and all Branches of Service including National Guard and Reserves.

Get Cute for a Cause with Mary Kay

"What should I get my wife/girlfriend/mom/sister/grandma/friend for the holidays?"

"This cold winter air is making my skin so dry, what can I do?"

"I have a fabulous holiday party coming up, help me look fabulous!"

"What color of eye shadow goes perfect with my ugly Christmas sweater?"

The holiday season is here! And some of us (ok, most of us) could use some help, either with gift ideas or tips on how to look our best. Lucky for us, our friend at Mary Kay, Tina, has graciously offered her assistance and will donate 25% of the proceeds to Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet! Feel free to contact Tina at tina744@att.net with any questions about products or if you need help picking out the perfect gift. It is easy to make a confident purchase when Mary Kay offers a 100% refund if you are not happy with your purchase. It's easy and fun to shop and help Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet:

1. Visit www.marykay.com/tina744 to browse the fantastic options on the Mary Kay website
2. When you check out, add "Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet" in the comment field
3. Your products will be shipped directly to you for the low price of \$5.75 per order
4. Shop soon! The party will run until December 8th



Thanks so much for your continued support!

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Visit Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet's iGive.com (<http://www.igive.com/default.cfm?c=37130>).

#YouShopAmazonGives

This Cyber Monday why not shop and help your favorite cause at the same time! Online shopping through Amazon.com this holiday season is easy! Make sure you sign-up for AmazonSmile and a portion of your shopping will benefit Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet! How easy is that, you shop and we benefit!!

When you do your Holiday shopping at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet. Bookmark the link <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/20-2229425> and support Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet every time you shop.



Contribute to our Cause

The following is information for donating directly to Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet.

Online Donations

Click on the first "Donate Now" button on left side of our website (www.guardianangelsforsoldierspet.org).

Check/Money Order

Payable to: Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet

Mailed to:

Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet

9725 FM 1783

Gatesville, TX 76528-4739



Donation Information:

Each donor will receive an official “**Donation Acknowledgement**” letter and a pre-numbered receipt recognizing your donation to our organization within 30 days after receipt of such donation. Donations made to Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet (**Fed Tax ID: 20-2229425**) are tax deductible as defined under section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) of the Internal Revenue Code and specific tax deductible related questions should be discussed with your personal tax advisor. Please contact your tax advisor.

Allocation of Donation:

Monetary contributions received are allocated as follows dependent on whether the contribution is earmarked for a specific program or project or not along with specific allocation percentages related to programs, administrative/governance, and fundraising defined expenditures. All contributors receive an official donation “Thank You Acknowledgement Letter” and a “Pre-numbered Receipt” usually within 30 days following receipt of such monetary contribution.

The allocations shown below pertain to the donations received by the Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet national organization where such donation is not earmarked for a specific program or project.

- 85% Program (to the program where the funds are needed the most at that time)
- 10% Governance, Management, and General related expenditures
- 5% Fund-raising related expenditures incurred by the organization

Life with a Warriors' Angels Service Dog... from a Soldier's Perspective



Our life has always provided us with so many miracles. Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet and their Warriors' Angels Program gave me a huge miracle. I've been waiting on a Service

Dog for 6 years but my wife's significant allergies have prevented any animals coming into the house. Cherie walked into our life with this adorable Goldendoodle puppy, Sophie. My wife is not allergic to her which is an amazing miracle in itself! I have fallen in love with this bundle of joy! Words alone cannot explain the changes wrought since she came into our lives.

I feel like a new parent talking about a new baby. Sophie has the sweetest disposition I have ever seen in a dog. She is friendly with a unique personality all her own. I rediscovered happiness in life spending time with her, playing "puppy" games and teaching her some basic tricks. Sophie is so smart and picks up on new situations with little or no prompting. Sophie is so protective of both me and my wife, but she knows she is my dog and always keeps me as her primary focus.

Sophie wakes me up if I am having a nightmare. When I'm awake she stays very close to me and will lean up against me if I'm starting to escalate or lose control of my anger in order to soothe me. If her leaning isn't enough, she will bark and demand to go outside, taking me on a walk until I calm down. It is incredible how she is able to sense my moods and emotions, defusing the anger until it is gone.

We have two feral cats, one several years old and another about 4-5 months old. Sophie has made them a part of her life. The older cat is stand-offish, but if we aren't looking, she will play with Sophie. Road Rash (the kitten) & Kitty Girl (the oldest feral cold nose & unconditional love provides comfort

on a level people cannot begin to understand.

Mere words cannot express my gratitude for the gift of Sophie. She has done so much to erase my depression, defuse my angry outbursts, and verbal assaults. She is there when I lose my sense of direction or my frustration over things I cannot control. And my wife is not allergic to her! Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Jim G., US Army, Retired



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So, how can you get involved with the Warriors' Angels Program? It's easy! You can donate (Sponsorships & Support Levels), Volunteer, Spread the Word or Host 3rd Party Fundraiser. For more details and questions, please email waap@guardianangelsforsoldierspet.org.



Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet is part of the eBay Giving Works program. So, you can support our mission when you buy and sell on eBay. Here's how:

- **Buy** – you can find whatever you're looking for on eBay – from baseball cards to new cars and more. When you do, shop for items that benefit us. You can get a great deal and support Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet© at the same time!
- **Sell** – you can also support [Nonprofit Name] when you sell on eBay. Just designate our organization to receive 10-100% of your final sale price the next time you list something great

Visit Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet's eBay Giving Works page.

(<http://givingworks.ebay.com/charity-auctions/charity/guardian-angels-for-soldier-s-pet/15271/>)



Do you shop online?

If yes, help our cause at no additional cost to you!
It's simple:

- 1) Visit www.givebackamerica.com
- 2) Enter Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet in the search bar (top right)
- 3) Go to your favorite online store (for a list of participating stores, [click here](#))
- 4) Make a purchase
- 5) We get a portion of your purchase



Do you have an unwanted auto, truck, RV, boat, or plane running or not? A free fast, friendly, and hassle-free alternative to selling or trading and receive a tax benefit is to donate to Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet via **Charity (V-Dac)** program.

Call (877) 999-8322 and choose **Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet** as the recipient charity.

Funds received via this program will be allocated to one of our programs (Foster Home, MPA, Warriors' Angels, or General Admin) where funding is needed the most at the time we receive the funding from V-Dac. Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet or D-Vac provides no tax advice. It is solely the donor's responsibility to report vehicle value and tax status.

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Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet

Volunteer Spotlight: Cherie Boudreaux

Cherie Boudreaux serves as our National Treasurer, and Southern Regional Director (including TX Director and the Warriors' Angels Liaison for San Antonio TX). She goes above and beyond holding multiple positions. In September 2013 she stepped up to fill the role of Warriors' Angels program Liaison assisting the CEO in establishing the program in and around the San Antonio, TX area. She became volunteer with Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet as the TX Foster Coordination Liaison on September 21, 2011.

When asked why she does what she does, she replied:

"I joined Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet because the organization filled a need no one else had thought of at that time. The fact that I get to assist Veterans facing housing issues strikes home for me because my step-father is a Vietnam Veteran and was homeless for a period of time and had to go through the housing process. It makes me feel like I'm saying thank you in some way every time I am able to help one of our clients."

Thank you Cherie for all that you do. You serve the organization in so many ways and are a joy to work with!

Volunteer

Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet like many "All Volunteer" 501c3 nonprofit organizations are only able to operate and accomplish its mission due to the generosity, time, and energy provided by those who wish to make a difference in our society. All of our volunteers are deeply appreciated and are critical in the daily operations of our organization.

- Do you have a passion to help our military service members, veterans, and their beloved pets plus work with others who share this passion?
- Are you a self-starter, have excellent organizational, interpersonal, and leadership skills, plus able to work independently and as a "team" player.
- Can you follow and adhere to the organization's mission, purpose, operating procedures, and organizational policies/guidelines?
- Are you comfortable using and access to MS office (especially Word and Excel)?
- Do you have professional communication skills via the Internet, phone calls, and email.
- Do you have an understanding of the military community and ability to interact with our clients?
- Are you able to commit at least 1 year to the volunteer role?

Then considering volunteering with Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet, learn more at <http://guardianangelsforsoldierspet.org/ways-to-get-involved/volunteer/>

Matching Gifts

Matching Gifts programs are charitable giving programs set up by corporations in which the company matches monetary donations made by employees and/or the hours where an employee volunteers with a specific eligible nonprofit organization to eligible nonprofit organizations. Usually the eligible organization is a school or 501c3 public charity organization. There are basically 2 types of "Company Matching Gifts" as follows:



- 1. Volunteers Hour Grant Program** – companies provide monetary donations to organizations where employees volunteer on a regular basis. The amount of such donation may be based on the number of hours an employee volunteers within a calendar year.
- 2. Corporate Matching Gift Program** – companies provide monetary donations to eligible organizations where employees make a monetary donation(s) to eligible organizations within a calendar year.

Potential donors to our organization should first contact the company's HR (Human Resource) department to determine if the company has a "Matching Gift" program, what type, and what the program's guidelines are.

If you work for a company that currently does not have a "Matching Gift" program, check with the company's HR department or HR contact if they would consider establishing one.

If making a Matching Gift "online" please send an email to donations@guardianangelsforsoldierspet.org advising us of such and the company that will be matching your donation.

If making a "Matching Gift" by check/money order, please show "Matching Gift" on "memo line" and include note with company name that will be matching your donation.

Thank you for considering a Matching Gift.

Subaru's "Share the Love"

Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet is honored to be included as the local charity for the **Cleo Bay Subaru's Hometown Charity** for the 2014 Subaru "Share the Love" event!

To date, Subaru of America has helped support nearly 300 animal shelters, grant more than 600 wishes, fund over one million meal deliveries to seniors, and support over 70 national parks through the "Share the Love" event. This year, Subaru of America is partnering with more than 600 local charities nationwide, helping even more of the causes they all care about.

If you purchase a Subaru from the **Cleo Bay Subaru** in **Killeen, TX** between now and January 2, 2015 and select Guardian Angels for Soldiers' Pet as your charity, Subaru will then donate \$250 to our organization!

Funds from Subaru "Share the Love" campaign will be allocated to **Warriors' Angels program** to implement the program in Central Texas.

To learn more about the promotion from Cleo Bay Subaru, click here, <http://www.cleobaysubaru.com/share-the-love-2014.htm>.

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Ways to Get Involved with our Mission

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Potential Foster
Home

Become a part of
our State Support
volunteer teams

Contribute

Spread the word



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made for our country and all of us here
at home yesterday, today, and tomorrow.**

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