

SD4V WISH LIST (6/2/23)



Folks often ask how they can help...

We're an IRS approved 501(c)(3) Public Service Charity - every donation is 100% deductible on federal tax returns. Here are some ways your generosity helps SD4V continue to be the go-to organization for our Veterans and their dogs in the Upstate:

\$165 - ONCE A MONTH PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICE

Annually (12 months). **\$1,980**

A volunteer does touch-up cleaning after classes, but we have found professional level cleaning is a must to prevent dog hair and dander buildup.

\$300 - PURCHASE PHOTO PRINTER FOR INDIVIDUAL & CLASS COLLAGE PICTURES

This printer will do what our standard Epson printer cannot – print on glossy photo paper with all the flexibility needed to print pictures of each team in a class, in collage format. This will be a big time saver because we currently have to go to a Walgreens, and hope their printer software is working OK. We've seen how much our students appreciate a color collage of their classmates, and we want to continue offering it.

\$450 – SUPPLIES FOR ONE FOSTER – Duration one to two months

Depending on the background of dogs we adopt, home fostering before being placed with their Veteran is often critical to the success of the pairing. This process acclimates the dog to things it may never have experienced before: living in a caring family environment; acclimating to their routine; and acquiring some basic manners. SD4V provides everything our volunteer foster will need, 15 items in all.

\$1,925 – PURCHASE DUAL SIDED SERVICE DOG ID CARD PRINTER

Each graduate gets 2 Service Dog IDs. We buy them from a vendor. These are essential, but their purchase cost goes up each year. 2 IDs currently cost \$39 with shipping. We will purchase approximately 50 this year at a cost of \$1,950. With this purchase we can print our own and the savings will pay for this purchase in our first year of use. Also, the printer includes 6 years of card stock.

----- **BIG ASK – BIG OPPORTUNITY** -----

\$4,700 - Purchase 2 right sized TVs for our Training Room and Conference Room

Over the last several years our amazing team of trainers and volunteers have learned how to create compelling slideshows and videos for training and donor development. We've been using smaller & older TVs on a portable stand in our training room and conference room, but they have significant limitations. To help us know how best to provide what we need, Bill brought in an expert, the highly experienced manager of the TV Department at Jeff Lynch Appliances in Greenville. He reviewed our current limitations and goals, and prescribed what is listed below. These can be purchased together or individually.

\$1,700 – PURCHASE 55” TV for our CONFERENCE ROOM

This wall-mounted TV will provide easy viewing for everyone that is either seated or standing in our conference room. Purchase includes a wall mounted installation.

Objectives:

- Donor development. We'll now have the ability to get the most out of our slide shows and videos with this impressive means of showing them. There's nothing like the impact of donors seeing up close and personal the lives we change, the lives we save, because of their donations.
- Improved Team meetings. SD4V regularly holds working sessions with volunteers, trainers, and our Board. This TV will be invaluable in enabling everyone to view a document, develop and critique our processes, and conduct external & internal zoom meetings as needed.

\$3,000 - PURCHASE 86” TV for our TRAINING ROOM

Our trainers have developed some excellent training videos, but due to the size of the room and the undersized TV we use, the entire class cannot view them. This purchase will also be our incentive to expand the use of videos to help & motivate our students. With the variety and degree of impairment our students can have, the addition of videos when introducing new exercises and tasks can be a game changer. Purchase includes sound bar and full swivel wall mounted installation.

Objectives:

- Improved training experience.
- Enhance our monthly graduate meetups. We want all of our graduates to have a safe & enjoyable place to meet and stay connected with each other at our training center. When they need tune-up training, they will benefit enormously from seeing our training videos on this correctly sized TV. It'll be a game changer for them as well.