



smartpups

Assistance Dogs making a difference to the lives of Children with special needs

WHY SMART PUPS?

It is our mission that every child in Australia living with a diagnosed special need, such as Autism, Epilepsy, Diabetes and mobility conditions should have access to the security and companionship of an assistance dog.

Our Smart Pups act as a bridge between each child and the outside world: guiding children through their daily routine, reducing stress levels, easing sensory overload, keeping them safe and comforting them when the world just gets too much.

With your support, Smart Pups can continue to train and place these amazing dogs with families who require them the most. Providing these children with a lifelong companion who can significantly enhance their quality of life.

CAN YOU LEND A PAW?

Did you know that costs to train and care for a Smart Pup to become a certified assistance dog can be up to \$50,000 and the process takes between 12-18 months.

Our recipient families raise \$25,000 to donate to the Smart Pups Training Program which goes towards the cost of their Smart Pup, with our organisation contributing the remaining balance through fundraising and sponsorships.

This is where we need your generous contribution to allow us to place as many dogs as possible, with children who have special needs.

OUR STORY



Today Smart Pups has a purpose-built training facility on 55 acres. Over 300 certified Smart Pups have been raised, trained, and placed with children and adults with special needs.

Smart Pups was launched in 2011 by Patricia McAlister, with 3 pups in training and was one of the first organisations to be accredited with the Guide, Hearing and Assistance Dogs Act, Queensland. Smart Pups also instigated a change in legislation to allow children to have an assistance dog, providing they had an adult handler.

HELPING TO INCREASE



Independence



Safety



Happiness



Self Esteem

HELPING TO DECREASE



Depression



Stress



Isolation



Anxiety



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