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— ★ HAPPY ★ — FOURTH of JULY — CELEBRATING — 250TH ★ ANNIVERSARY ★ 1776 ★ 2026



1776

The Declaration of Independence was adopted.



13 COLONIES

The original colonies united for independence.



FREEDOM

A new nation was born on liberty and justice.



250 YEARS

Honoring our history.
Celebrating our freedom.
Proud to be American.

Dogs For Life
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Freedom is a gift, a privilege, and a shared responsibility. Join DFL in celebrating the stars and stripes and the incredible journey of our nation.

Summer Has Officially Arrived

Keep your dog happy and healthy while having fun in the sun this summer.

Heat Check: Read the Tongue

Your dog's tongue can give early clues that it's time to rest

			
1	2	3	4
Normal	Needs a Break	Overheating	Emergency
Pink tongue, light panting. Safe to continue with breaks and water.	Tongue hangs longer and wider. Panting increases. Head to shade and offer water.	Bright red tongue, heavy panting, drooling. Stop activity and start cooling right away.	Dark red, purple, or blue tongue/gums, weakness, wobbling, or collapse. Seek urgent veterinary help.



Remember

Don't wait for severe signs.
Rest early, cool early, and when in doubt, stop.

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dogs for life Something is coming to Dogs For Life...
We're not saying what, but it's not have tiny paws and a
very big purpose.
Stay tuned. 🐾 🇺🇸

Click the button below to watch the video clip.

Watch Video

We celebrated DFL CEO Shelly Ferger's birthday in June!



Happy Birthday, Shelly!

To our Alpha Dog

Some know her as the Alpha Dog. We know her as the heart, knowledge, and compassion behind **Dogs For Life.**

We're so thankful for all you do. 

Help us wish Shelly a
very happy birthday
in the comments.

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Recent Veterans and First Responder DFL graduates, being honored with personal patriotic quilts by Quilts of Valor at DFL. They even received personalized quilts for their service dogs. Thank you all for your continued service.

Click the button below to check out more photos from a Facebook post DFL shared from someone at the event.

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**Dogs For Life was the first stop on the
Post 39 Riders Poker Run**



Shout out to all the dads on Father's Day

DFL hopes all of the amazing fathers out there had a day filled with family and love from their furry, four-legged friends.

★ HAPPY ★ FATHER'S DAY

Shout-out to every great dad — including the dog dads.

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Checking In On Chief

Chief has come a long way since arriving at Dogs For Life. We can't wait to see him continue to progress!

CHIEF'S *Pupdate*

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6 MONTHS OLD



GRADUATED
BASIC OBEDIENCE



BEGINNING
SERVICE DOG TRAINING

Chief's mat is where
he goes to "stay back"
and "out of the kitchen."
Here, he's using that
behavior to politely
ask for a trip to

the park.



WE'RE SO PROUD OF
★ **CHIEF** ★
AND ALL HE IS LEARNING.

Thank you

TO OUR DONORS, SUPPORTERS,
AND COMMUNITY FOR BEING
PART OF CHIEF'S JOURNEY.

**WE COULDN'T DO IT
WITHOUT YOU!**

TRAINING TODAY. ★ SERVING TOMORROW. ★ FREEDOM ★ LOYALTY ★ PURPOSE

They gave everything to protect our freedom. Now, it's our turn to help them reclaim theirs. A professionally trained service dog costs thousands to raise, but to a veteran struggling with PTSD, their companionship is priceless. We hope you'll consider donating today to help change a life, one paw at a time.

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