

HERE I AM RIGHT AFTER I CAME HOME FROM GDA. I WAS SOOOO CUTE AND LITTLE!

## Counting on Cleo, a puppy in training!

*Hello Sepulveda Building Materials!* Cleo here with my final update before going in for formal training. I've been super busy over the last three months, honing my obedience skills and doing my final maturing before beginning the next step to become a guide dog for the blind. I'm now 18 months old and weigh a healthy 61 pounds. Even though I've been raised during a pandemic, I've still had lots of opportunities to socialize safely in public! My mom and dad have said that I've been an absolute pleasure to raise! I guess they are super lucky too :) When you read my update, I will have already moved back to GDA, excited to begin the next important chapter of my life. I'm so thankful for the support you have provided and look forward to making you proud of me. I'll be sure to keep making good choices and will keep in touch!



I LOVE HANGING OUT!



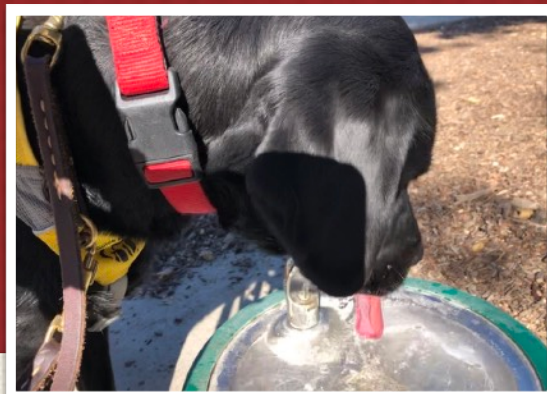
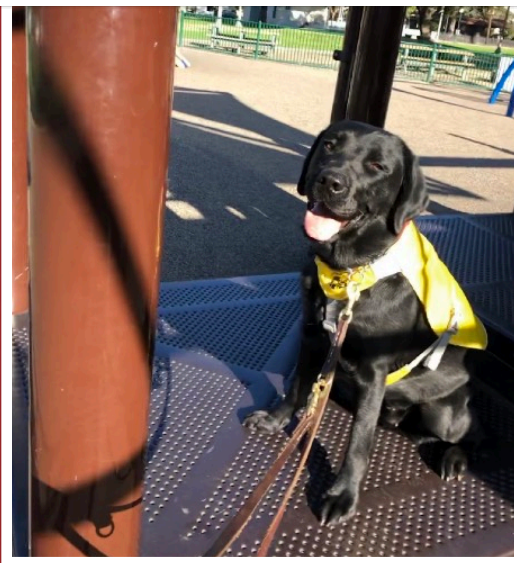
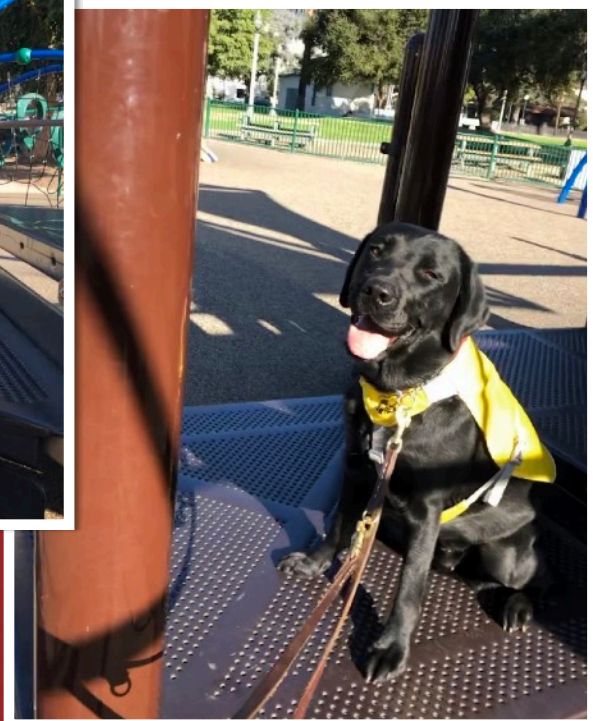
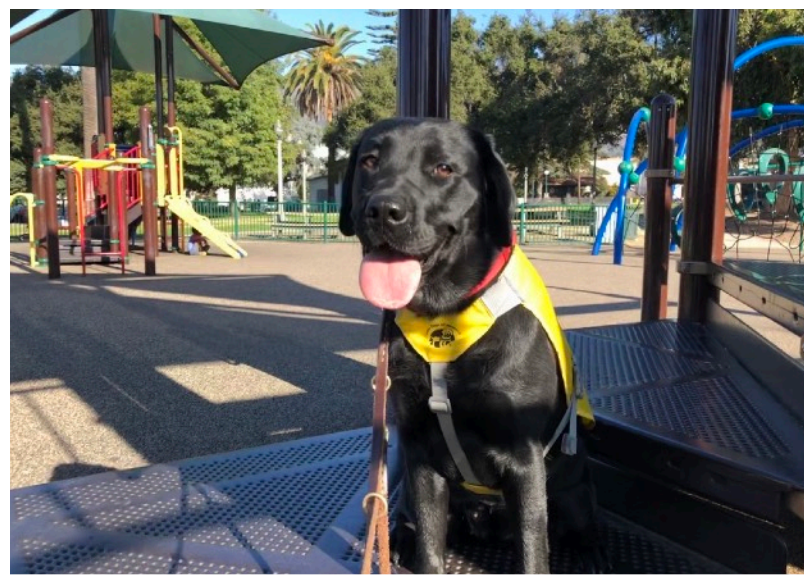
I LOVE MY KITTY!



I LOVE WEARING MY MASK!



# GOING TO THE PARK



OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS, WE'VE BEEN GOING TO OUR LOCAL PARK TO PRACTICE SETTLING AND BEING CALM AROUND CHILDREN. I'VE ACED IT - I LOVE CHILDREN OF ALL SIZES, BUT I DON'T GET CRAZY EXCITED - I CAN JUST WATCH THEM AND HOPE THEY COME UP AND ASK IF THEY CAN PET ME! HERE I AM CHECKING OUT THE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT - IT'S SUPER FUN TO PLAY ON!



# GDA OUTINGS



I LOVE OUR GDA AREA GROUP. WE HAVE HAD MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO GET TOGETHER, SOCIALLY DISTANCED AND OUTDOORS OF COURSE, AND PRACTICE OUR SKILLS. OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS, WE WENT TO OLD TOWN PASADENA WHERE WE VISITED CITY HALL AND LIBRARY PARK. YOU CAN SEE US PRACTICING OUR DOWN AND SIT STAYS - NOT AN EASY TASK WITH THE DISTRACTIONS OF ALL THE DOGS - BUT EASY FOR ME!



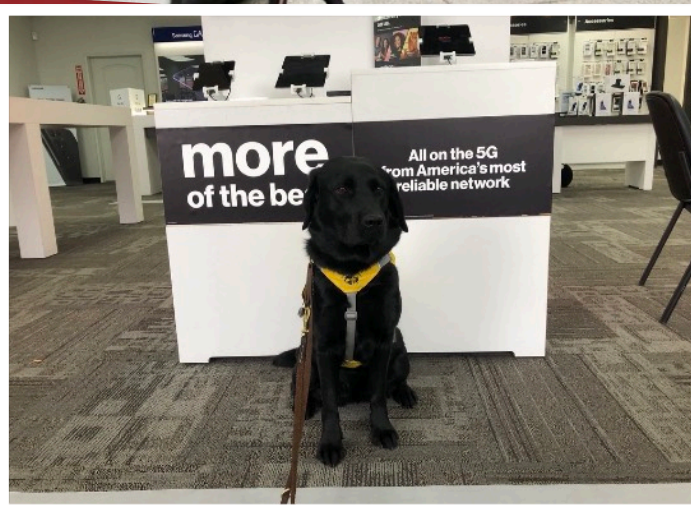
# GDA OUTINGS



HERE WE ARE AT ANOTHER OUTING IN LA CANADA NEAR THEIR CITY HALL. WE PRACTICED LOOSE LEASH WALKING, GOING UP AND DOWN STAIRS, AND THEN HAD A SPECIAL TREAT... WE WERE ABLE TO WALK INTO TARGET! I LOVE TARGET! DO YOU SEE ME WITH MY FRIEND ECLIPSE (MIDDLE) AND SISTER COMET (RIGHT)? WE ARE ALL GOING IN FOR TRAINING TOGETHER!



# OUT AND ABOUT



WHILE WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GO ON VACATION, MOM AND DAD HAVE KEPT ME REALLY BUSY AROUND TOWN! WITH EVERY NEW PLACE WE GO, WE TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TRY NEW SURFACES, DIFFERENT HEIGHTS, AND ALSO SEE UNIQUE THINGS. WITH EACH NOVEL EXPERIENCE I HAVE, IT BETTER PREPARES ME FOR MY FUTURE AS A GUIDE DOG!



# OUT AND ABOUT!



I'M NOT BEING RUDE, I JUST WANTED YOU TO SEE YOUR NAME ON MY JACKET! DID YOU KNOW THAT GETTING ON & OFF ELEVATORS IS A SPECIAL SKILL WE LEARN WHEN WE ARE IN FOR TRAINING? I CAN'T WAIT TO LEARN HOW TO DO THAT!

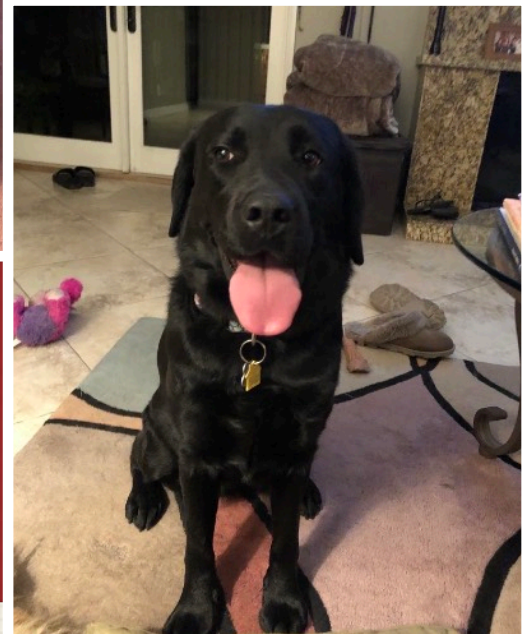
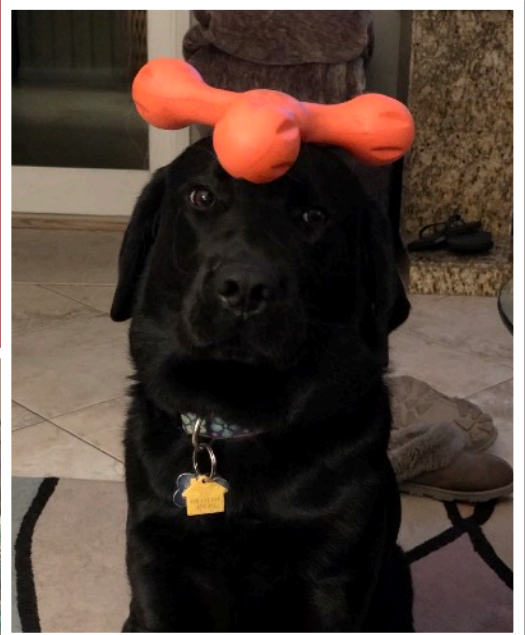


# OUT AND ABOUT!





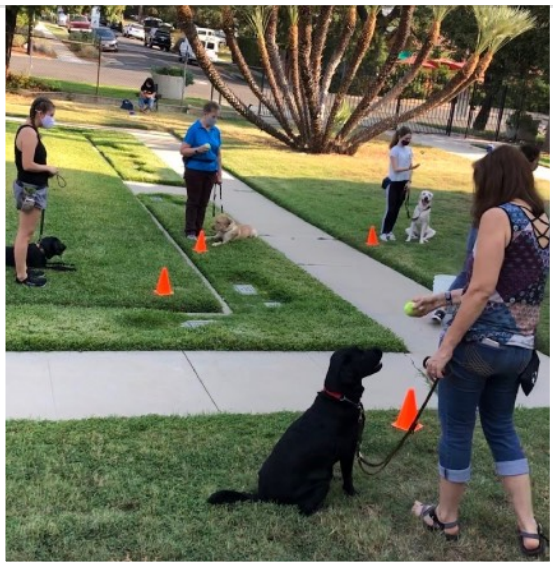
OH MY...



MOM SAYS I'M JUST THE SWEETEST, MOST ACCOMMODATING PUPPY! SOMETIMES, SHE LIKES TO PUT THINGS ON ME AND I VERY PATIENTLY WAIT, UNTIL SHE RELEASES ME WITH AN 'OK.' SHE CLAIMS IT IS A PART OF MY TRAINING, BUT I THINK SHE IS JUST SILLY! SOMETIMES I STICK MY TONGUE OUT AT HER IF SHE ISN'T LOOKING!



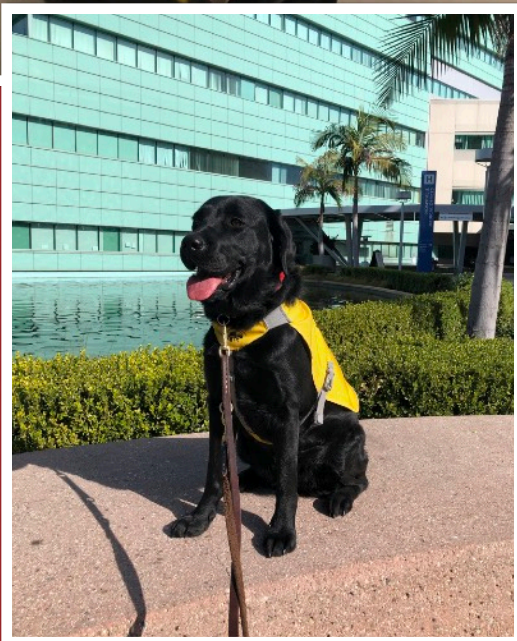
# GRADUATING OBEDIENCE!



HERE I AM IN MY NON-GDA OBEDIENCE CLASS. WE HAD A LOT OF FUN, PLAYING DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES AND WORKING ON OUR SKILLS. AS A PUPPY IN TRAINING, IT'S GOOD THAT I'M USED TO BEING AROUND OTHER DOGS, AND CAN BE CALM. I LOVE BEING AROUND OTHER DOGS... AND I'M PRETTY GOOD AT BEING CALM AROUND THEM TOO!



# GETTING VACCINATED!



MOM TOOK ME TO GO TO THE DOCTOR TO GET A VACCINE FOR COVID! WE HAD TO WAIT IN A LONG LINE, BUT THEN WE SAT DOWN AND I GOT TO REST WHILE MOM WAITED FOR HER TURN. I WAS VERY PATIENT (OKAY, I SNORED), AND STAYED PROPERLY UNDER HER CHAIR WHILE WE SAT.

EVERYBODY JUST LOVED ME. MOM'S JUST LIKE ME... I GET VACCINATED TOO!



# GDA VISITS



EVERY MONTH, I GO UP TO GDA TO VISIT! I ALWAYS HAVE SUCH A GREAT TIME. MY VISITS HAVE PREPARED ME FOR WHEN I GO IN FOR TRAINING! AND I AM SOOOOO READY!



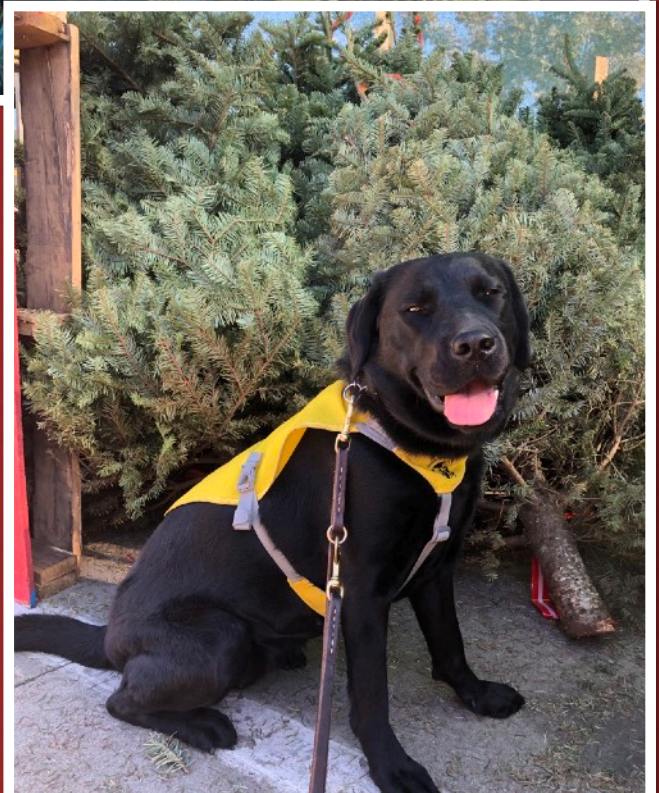
# I LOVE THE HOLIDAYS!



EVEN THOUGH THE HOLIDAYS  
LOOKED A LITTLE DIFFERENT THIS  
YEAR, I LOVED CELEBRATING WITH  
MY FAMILY! MY BROTHER SULLY  
AND I EVEN GOT NEW TOYS! MAYBE THIS TIME NEXT  
YEAR, I WILL BE CELEBRATING WITH MY PARTNER!



I LOVE THE HOLIDAYS!





# GOING IN FOR FORMAL TRAINING!



FRIDAY, JANUARY 29TH I WENT IN FOR FORMAL TRAINING, OR IFT. THIS IS WHAT I'VE BEEN DREAMING ABOUT! I WAS SO EXCITED TO GET TO MEET MY NEW ROOMMATE, I PULLED A LITTLE ON THE LEASH TO GET THERE... MOM AND DAD SAID THEY UNDERSTOOD BECAUSE IT WAS SUCH AN EXCITING DAY.



# GOING IN FOR FORMAL TRAINING!



MY NEW ROOMMATE'S NAME IS DEXTER!  
I'M SURE WE WILL HAVE SUCH GOOD  
TIMES TOGETHER WHILE WE LEARN... I'LL  
TELL HIM MY SECRETS AND HE WILL TELL  
ME HIS! WHILE I'M SAD TO SAY SO LONG  
TO MOM, DAD, SULLY, JACK & GUINNESS, I  
KNOW I'LL SEE THEM AGAIN AT MY  
GRADUATION!

I HOPE YOU CAN COME TOO!



# THANK YOU SEPULVEDA!



I'M SO EXCITED TAKING THE NEXT STEP TO BECOMING A GUIDE DOG BACK AT GDA. I'VE PROMISED MOM & DAD THAT I WILL LISTEN TO MY INSTRUCTORS, HAVE FUN WITH MY FRIENDS, FOLLOW MY HEART, AND WRITE SOON! I'LL BE SURE TO WRITE YOU TOO! THANKS FOR BEING THE MOST AMAZING SPONSOR!

SENDING LOTS OF LOVE, YOUR PUPPY CLEO