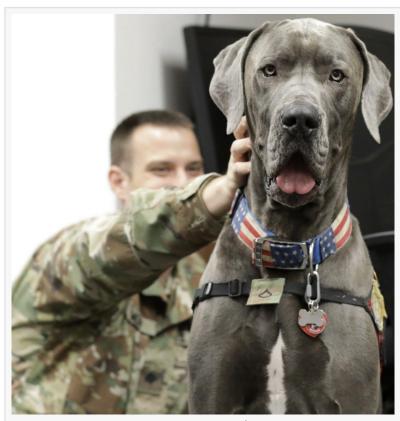


American Humane Unveils Top 25 Hero Dog Award Semi-Finalists

Public voting open now through Oct. 9 for the 14th Annual campaign to honor America's Top Dogs

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September 10, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/
-- American Humane—the country's first
national animal welfare
organization—has announced the 25
semi-finalists for its 14th annual Hero
Dog Awards and encourages the public to
vote for their favorite. Voting is open now
through October 9, 2024.

The Hero Dog Awards is a nationwide competition that searches for and recognizes America's standout dogs in five categories: therapy dogs, service and guide dogs, military dogs, law enforcement and first responder dogs, and emerging hero dogs.



2023 Hero Dog Winner Maverick

Winners are ordinary four-legged companions that do extraordinary things—including saving lives on the battlefield, aiding their human best friend with sight or hearing, and overall

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We can't wait to celebrate the joy these canines bring to our lives and look forward to seeing the votes come in!"

Dr. Robin Ganzert, American Humane President & CEO contributing to the wellbeing of people. The star-studded 14th Annual Hero Dog Awards will be held at The Breakers Palm Beach on January 8, 2025.

"We are thrilled for all the incredible dogs that have been nominated for the Hero Dog Awards this year and were inspired by each and every story," said Dr. Robin Ganzert, President and CEO of American Humane. "We can't wait to celebrate the joy these canines bring to our lives and look forward to seeing the votes come in for the top dog."

The following dogs are the semifinalists:

Law Enforcement and First Responder Dogs

- Bo from Gastonia, NC
- Charlie from Kansas City, KS
- Detective K9 Briggs from Lewisberry, PA
- Jacky from Portland, OR
- Layla from Indianapolis, IN

Service and Guide/Hearing Dogs

- Coby from Wayland, MI
- Justice from Seffner, FL
- Percy from Meriden, CT
- Sampson from Sierra Vista, AZ
- Willow from Las Vegas, NV

Therapy Dogs

- Archer from Stanhope, NJ
- Bogey from Miami, FL
- Dayo from Dublin, CA
- Oscar from Coral Springs, FL
- Pepper from Washington, DC

Military Dogs

- Dasty from Green Bay, WI
- Ffancy from Barnegat, NJ
- John from San Antonio, TX
- Maci from Enid, OK
- Niki from Seattle, WA

Emerging Hero and Shelter Dogs

- Cal from Hilton Head Island, SC
- Jerry Lee from Emory, TX
- Lieutenant Dan from New Richmond, OH
- Penny from Louisville, KY
- Tank from Naples, FL



Photo Credit: Getty Images - Owner Kelly Brownfield with Hero Dog Winner Maverick, and Christie Brinkley



Dr. Robin Ganzert, President and CEO of American Humane, with the 2023 Hero Dog Award Finalists

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