

The GSDCA Charitable Trust was created for charitable purposes. We want to put on special canine events that would educate the public about the upkeep and care of German Shepherd Dogs, and to raise funds for recognized charities that help our dogs. We intend to hold educational events, where rescue, police and other charitable organizations participate to encourage the public to contribute to these worthy organizations. We intend to give a substantial part of any net proceeds coming from these events to charitable organizations involving German Shepherd Dogs. These donations would benefit police departments owning these dogs, rescue groups using the dogs to find persons lost in earthquakes etc., and medical facilities involved in research and medical experiments involving dogs and people.

We expect to continue putting on national and international events for these purposes.

The GSDCA has, over the past 10 years, donated considerable amounts of money to health research and other related projects. These efforts include: Dr. Clemmons at the University of Florida on Degenerative Myelopathy, blood draws for DNA research projects at Texas A & M College of Veterinary Medicine, support of 2011 service dogs, monies to support educational programs at our National Specialty Shows, support for educational projects related to activities that adversely affect animals,, general health issues pertaining to animals, the rescue of animals and support of those who respond to natural disasters and the cruelty of animals. The ever increasing demand for German Shepherd Dogs as Assistance Dogs, Search and Rescue dogs and Military Dogs speaks to the necessity for support in the field of research dedicated to preventative medicine.

Non-profit organizations which the GSDCA would support include Weeping Willow 2nd Chance German Shepherd Sanctuary, Military Working Dog Teams National Monument, The American Rescue Dog Association, The National Animal Interest Alliance, American German Shepherd Rescue Association, American Assistance Dogs, Canine Assistants, and The Military Working Dog Foundation. These organizations, as well as others, benefit the German Shepherd Dog in areas of rescue, service dogs, legislation and health.

The formation of a German Shepherd Charitable Trust will enable an expansion of educational efforts to members, owners, breeders and the general public throughout the United States. The GSDCA also provides savings certificates to the junior handler with the highest academic grade point average. In the future we are planning a wide-scale event which will involve the printing of educational brochures for public consumption as well as opportunities for the public to see demonstrations of the capabilities of German Shepherd Dogs. Our activities will be supported by mailings to solicit donations, the sale of such items as t-shirts and caps, educational material dealing with health and behavior issues of dogs.

Our activities and projects will be held in various parts of the United States as our members are nation-wide. In 2013 we will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc. International guests who are interested in the GSD and our projects will be invited and there will be programs designed to promote K-9 good citizenship, companion dogs, search & rescue dogs, therapy dogs as well as educational and health programs open to the public. The Centennial Celebration of the German Shepherd Dog Club of America will include demonstrations of the ability of the breed as they compete in precision drills before the public. Veteran Dog Handlers from former World Conflicts will be honored as well as current Military Men and Women and their deployed K-9s. The Charitable Trust will enable the GSDCA to honor our Military men and women and to contribute to the cost of training service dogs for those who have been wounded and are impaired. The German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc. sees the continuation of the needs identified above and the future for charitable grants and funding of scholarships, health research, rescue operations, service dog activities, assistance to wounded military veterans, and other related causes.