## News Release



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## St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport (PIE) hosts Southeastern Guide Dogs, Inc. Training Meeting

St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport will play host to 20-25 guide dog puppies and their "puppy raisers" on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM to 12 Noon. The "puppy raisers" will lead their guide dog puppies throughout the airport terminal building as a training and socialization opportunity.

The Southeastern Guide Dogs' mission is to offer free of charge, a unique opportunity to achieve independent travel with safety and dignity to blind men and women, through the use of professionally and humanely trained guide dogs. For more information on the organization, visit their website at <a href="https://www.quidedogs.org">www.quidedogs.org</a> or call (941) 729-5665.

Members of the media are invited for interviews, photo or video opportunities on the day of the event. Please contact Chuck Hietala, organizer of Saturday's event at (727)515-2105 for arrangements.

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