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AKC Canine Clubs-Community Dogs – Week 4

- Anticipate.
- Less talk, more body language.
- Be patient. Give your dog time to think about what you are asking.
- Set your dog up for success. Only ask your dog for a command when you are fairly confident that he will listen to you.
- Bridge words: a word that lets our dog know he is on track without distracting him from his task; calming praise. e.g. “good boy/girl”
- Body block: put your body in between a distraction and your dog. This can help your dog focus on you rather than the distraction.
- Best way to get your dog’s attention:
 - Shoulders slightly bent forward
 - Body facing your dog
 - Move away from your dog (move backwards while facing your dog)
- Minimize tension on the leash. Work on keeping a loose lead or a “J” shape in the lead
- What to do when something isn’t working? Think about all the tools you have learned and try something else.
- Walking Without Pulling
 - Make like a log if the dog pulls.
 - Keep the dog’s attention