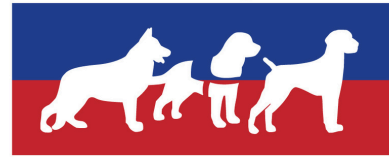




AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB®

AKC® Detection Dog Task Force



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The American Kennel Club (AKC) is proud to advocate for and advance purpose-bred dogs that have the skills, ability and breeding needed to address the shortage of U.S. bred detection dogs and meet future challenges.

Three Focus Areas:

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PUBLIC POLICY

to improve government policy & purchasing practices (Government Relations)

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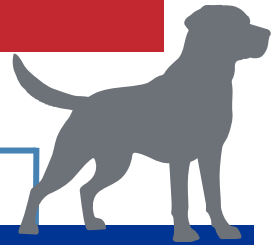
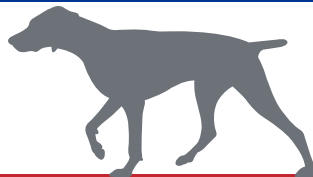
RAISING AWARENESS & ADVANCING KNOWLEDGE

through hosting conferences, webinars & in person regional seminars to bring together breeders, buyers and the public to share best practices and create solutions

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BREEDER EDUCATION

to help U.S. breeders produce high quality U.S. bred, raised and trained detection dogs (includes the Patriotic Puppy Program)



Patriotic Puppy Program (PPP)

Mission: Decrease U.S. dependence on foreign suppliers of dogs by supporting domestic efforts to provide suitable detection dog candidates.

About: Specialized program that provides one-on-one training and assistance to breeders/puppy raisers interested in learning how to raise a puppy suitable for sale/placement in advanced training as a detection dog. The program focuses on Labrador Retrievers and German Shorthaired Pointers, two of the most sought-after breeds.

→ **175+**
PPP graduates
deployed in the USA

Includes over seven agencies (CBP, ATF, DOD, TSA, Capitol Police, Pentagon, USDA), state & local law enforcement, and private security companies.

46 states have PPP participants ←

→ **6** breeds represented

Labrador Retriever * German Shorthaired Pointer
Chesapeake Bay Retriever * German Shepherd Dog
English Springer Spaniel * Bloodhound