

Money for Service Dogs



VGC raised \$601.61 and donated the money or needed supplies to K-9 units: Ekko, Carly, Mentor PD and Rebel



Mentor Police Department

- Mentor PD is planning to purchase a new K-9 officer.
- Funds donated from VGC will help them
- VGC visited the Mentor PD to learn about the K-9 program and give the big check.



Wags to Service Dogs



- Individuals enrolled and staff at VGC raised more than \$600 to distribute to three area police departments and Lake Metroparks to support their canine programs. Each police department and Lake Metroparks came up with wish lists for the dogs including money to replace the Mentor Police Department canine unit, special food, treats and toys for the Eastlake, Willoughby and Lake Metroparks.





Lake County Board of DD/Deepwood

- The individuals served by the Board and staff strongly believe in giving back to enrich the community. The raising of funds for the various area service dogs was a creative way for VGC to memorialize the tenth anniversary of “September 11” and make a difference.





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Rebel K-9 Officer for Willoughby



- VGC staff and consumers took their donations to the Willoughby Police Department.



Eastlake K-9 Ekko

- Officer John explained how his K-9 Partner, Ekko lives and works with him everyday.
- Ekko will not take treats from strangers and knows that when his badge is on, he is working.



Ekko comes from the Check Republic

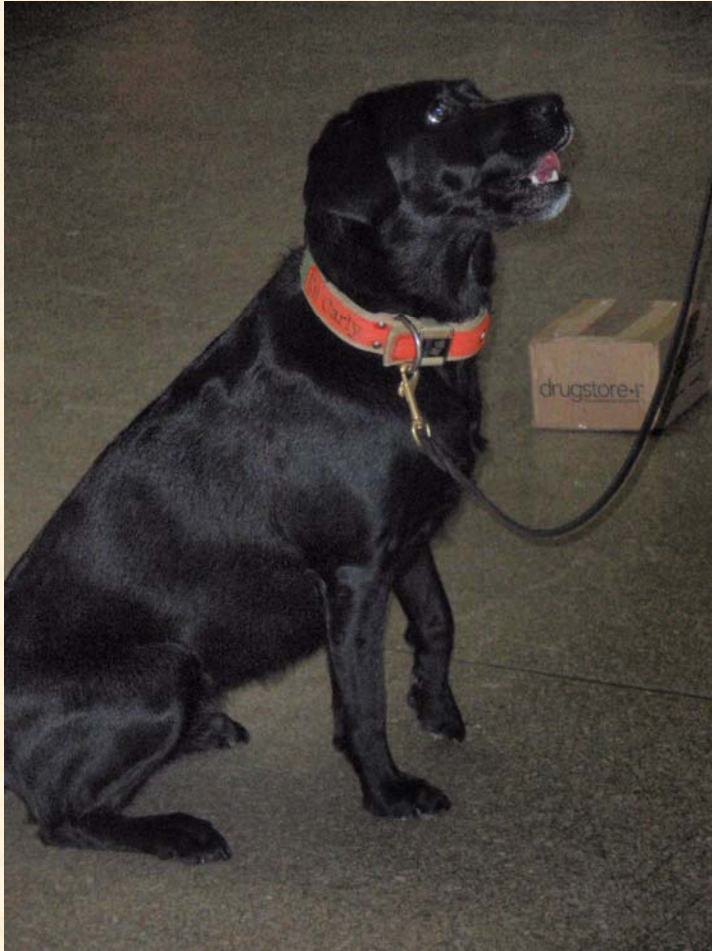


Ekko, one of Eastlake Police Department's K9 units





Lake MetroParks K-9 Carly



- Carly came to VGC and demonstrated how she helps the park rangers.
- She can do search and rescue or find illegal items.





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- The Lake County Board of DD/Deepwood is proud of VGC's involvement in this endeavor. Their efforts fulfill the agency's mission to advance public awareness and to assist individuals with disabilities become valued and contributing members of their chosen communities.

