

Mission, Values, and Vision Statement

The mission of Therapy Animals of Utah is improving human health and well-being in partnership with therapy animals.

In order to accomplish this mission, we dedicate ourselves to:

Training:

- The recruitment, training, mentoring, and support of qualified visiting volunteer Pet Partner teams;
- Facility site assessment and preparation for our teams in healthcare, residential treatment, educational, and other settings;
- Education of healthcare, social service, library and education professionals to effectively partner with the volunteer teams to enhance their client’s therapeutic experience;

Service:

Volunteer service of our members to people in physical and mental health treatment, rehabilitation, short and long-term care facilities, shelters, libraries, schools, and other settings.

Education:

Community education concerning the benefits of animal-assisted interactions and the human animal bond through public presentations, special event booths, and media appearances.

Research:

Special research projects and partnerships with educational institutions or human health professionals to explore the potential of animal-assisted therapy and other aspects of the human-animal bond.

We value respect, service, quality, and the integrity of mutually beneficial relationships.

- In all that we do, we will demonstrate that every person and animal is valuable and is worthy of respect.
- We believe that service to others is a worthy and valued endeavor. We will never compromise our standards or the quality of service we provide to our volunteers, our clients, and the community.
- We will consistently promote and share the love and healing power of animals in an ethical and mutually beneficial manner.



We envision a world where animals are highly valued as teachers, healers and essential contributors to human health and well-being.

