

## Referrals For Dog Training Programs

Training for your companion dog is as essential as providing him or her with food! Sensible, ongoing training will strengthen the bond between you and your pet, and help make your dog a permanent member of your family.

The following list is provided for your convenience. The Humane Society Silicon Valley has reviewed all the listed organizations to make sure they meet our criteria, including:

- Uses mainly positive reinforcement to teach commands.
- Teaches puppies separately from adult dogs.
- Provides standard curriculum that includes essential commands.
- Provides general information regarding dog learning and training theory, prevention for behavior problems, and breed traits.
- Dogs are required to be healthy before starting class.
- Provides education about responsible pet ownership, including the benefits of "indoor" dogs, spaying or neutering family pets.
- Maintains manageable class sizes, and much more.

Note: Certified Professional Dog Trainers (CPDT) are focused on humane training practices and the latest scientific knowledge related to dog training. Competence and continued growth in training practices is promoted through the recertification of qualified professionals. To learn more, please see our handout, [Choosing a Humane Dog Training Program](#) and the ASPCA's article [Finding Professional Help](#) at [aspc.org](http://aspc.org).

### NATIONWIDE DOG TRAINING SEARCH SITES

#### **ASSOCIATION OF PET DOG TRAINERS**

[www.apdt.com](http://www.apdt.com)

### GENERAL TRAINING and BEHAVIORAL COUNESLING

#### **A DOGS'S LIFE TRAINING PROGRAM**

(408) 946-3647

[www.dogslife.biz](http://www.dogslife.biz)

Puppy and adult classes; private lessons

The official doggie daycare, boarding, training, and grooming providers to the Animal Community Center of Humane Society Silicon Valley!

*Second Location:*

Palo Alto  
650-494-3647

*Third Location:*

1249 Birchwood Drive, Sunnyvale 94089  
408-747-1111

#### **STACY'S WAG'N'TRAIN**

(408) 978-7391 (Stacy Braslau-Schneck, CPDT)

Locations: San Jose area. Call or visit the website to find site nearest you.

[www.wagntrain.com](http://www.wagntrain.com)

Puppy and adult group lessons; private lessons; trick class

#### **K-9 PARTNERSHIP**

(408) 857-2468 (Daphne Robert-Hamilton, CPDT)

Locations: Morgan Hill, Gilroy, Santa Clara County

[www.k9partnership.com](http://www.k9partnership.com)

Puppy and adult group lessons; private lessons; specialty in problem dogs

**DOWNTOWN DOGS, INC.**

(408) 287-2267

Location: San Jose

[www.downtowndogs.com](http://www.downtowndogs.com)

Puppy and adult group lessons; specialty classes; agility for fun classes

**SIRIUS TRAINING/OZ TRAINING**

1-800-419-8748

[www.siriuspup.com](http://www.siriuspup.com)

Locations: Throughout the bay area, call to find a site nearest you

Puppy and adult group lessons

**PAWSITIVELY FABULOUS!**

408-861-0496 (Nancy Weller, CPDT)

[www.pawsitivelyfabulous.com](http://www.pawsitivelyfabulous.com)

Locations: San Jose, Sunnyvale, Los Gatos, Cupertino

Puppy and adult group lessons; private lessons

**BAYMONT TRAINING**

(408) 923-9257 (Lu Schoberg, CPDT)

<http://www.baymontdogtraining.com>

Locations: San Jose area & the Peninsula

In-home training, specializing in problem dogs

**MARTHINA'S DOG TRAINING FOR PEOPLE**

(408) 460-4244 (Marthina McClay, CPDT)

[www.dogtrainingforpeople.com](http://www.dogtrainingforpeople.com)

Location: Los Gatos

Puppy and adult group lessons; private lessons

Canine Good Citizen Evaluator and Therapy Dog

Tester

**HAPPY TAILS TO YOU DOG TRAINING**

(408) 267-7606 (Dawna Caldwell, CPDT)

[www.happytailstoyoudogtraining.com](http://www.happytailstoyoudogtraining.com)

Location: San Jose and Cambrian

Puppy and adult group lessons, private lessons

**DJ'S CLEVER CANINES**

408-225-6042 (Donna Johns)

Locations: San Jose, Los Gatos

Puppy & adult group lessons, private lessons, tricks class

**PAWSITIVE PALS DOG TRAINING**

408-806-2021 (Nannette Morgan, CPDT)

[www.pawsitivepals.net](http://www.pawsitivepals.net)

Locations: Morgan Hill & all Santa Clara County

Puppy & adult group lessons, private lessons, workshops, pre- and post-adoption counseling

**CZ DOG TRAINING**

(650) 574-9246 (Cerena Zutis)

<http://www.k9essentials.com/>

Puppy and adult group lessons; specialty classes; private lessons

**THE ZEN OF FIDO**

(408) 656-6539 (Angeline Siegel)

[www.zenoffido.com](http://www.zenoffido.com)

Holistic Behavioral Therapy

**CANINE HIGHER LEARNING**

(408) 323-9987 (M. Cecelia Sternzon, CPDT)

[www.caninehigherlearning.com](http://www.caninehigherlearning.com)

Private Lessons; specializing in the Child-Dog Relationship