

# Fairfax Pets On Wheels, Inc.

## 2024 SHAUNA AWARD



### Dear Fellow Volunteers:

It's time for the annual Shauna award nominations! Please find below the information needed to recognize a wonderful FPOW pet volunteer. Nominations will be reviewed by a committee, and the winners will receive a Certificate of Appreciation at the FPOW Volunteer Appreciation picnic in June. Notice of the award winners will also be published in the following issue of the FPOW newsletter.

**Objective:** The Shauna Award is presented to recognize the pet and/or pets who have made the most significant impact on a resident(s) of a facility that FPOW visits.

**Period of Performance:** April 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024

**Nominees:** Any FPOW pet volunteer with current health certification who actively visits an approved FPOW facility.

**Criteria for Nomination:** Based on first hand knowledge, briefly describe the contributions of the nominee and the nominee's impact on a resident(s) of the facility. For example, describe a specific significant interaction(s) that you have observed.

### Impacts to be Considered:

- 1) Marked difference in improving resident's attitude;
- 2) Greater participation by facility personnel.

### Special Note Regarding Previous Winners:

*Pet volunteers who have already received the Shauna Award in previous years are not eligible for subsequent awards but may be nominated and recognized for honorable mention.*

**Nominations:** Any FPOW volunteer, facility resident or staff member with personal knowledge of the pet's impact on a resident(s) may submit nominations. The nomination should include the pet's name, breed, owner's name, facility visited, your name and phone number, and a description (100 words or less) of why you wish to recognize the pet with the Shauna Award.

The Shauna Award was established in 1993. The award is named for Shauna Marie Salisbury, beloved Irish Setter of Susie and Bob Duvall, who died on March 26, 1993. Shauna was an active participant in Northern Virginia Visiting Pets and later in the FPOW program from April 1987 until January 1993, well into her 14<sup>th</sup> year. Shauna epitomized the pet volunteer and was instrumental in getting residents of the facilities she visited to communicate with staff, family and volunteers. As the senior training dog of the Fairfax Nursing Center she trained many new four-legged volunteers. Shauna always had a "smile" on her face and a "happy" wag of her tail.

## Nominations must be received by May 17, 2024 – 3:00PM

**Please send Nominations to:** FAIRFAX AREA AGENCY ON AGING  
FPOW - Shauna Award  
12011 Government Center Parkway, Suite 708  
Fairfax, VA 22035-1104

**Or Email to:** [dfspetsonwheels@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:dfspetsonwheels@fairfaxcounty.gov)

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Pet's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Breed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Owners' Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Facility Visited: \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Nominator's relation to Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

**Description (100 words or less) of why you wish to recognize this pet volunteer with the Shauna Award:**

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*~~ Thank you for taking the time to recognize a special volunteer!~~*

*Note: The description may be written or continued on a separate sheet of paper. If a separate sheet is used, please be sure to include this completed cover sheet.*

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