



The Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance Presents a Forum on *Canine Companions*

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This workshop will cover the overwhelming benefit of using a Facility dog in the Criminal Justice world. It will discuss how to apply for a dog, what you need to know about the Canine Companions for Independence Facility Dog Program. You will also have the opportunity to meet several assistance dogs and their human partners. In addition, the workshop will demonstrate the many ways they work together to achieve independence in various areas of their lives.

The forum will take place on:

Tuesday, September 29th
1pm-3pm
Worcester Public Library
22 Salem Street, Worcester MA

Wednesday, September 30th
2pm-4pm
Plymouth Public Library
132 South Street, Plymouth MA

RSVP is strongly encouraged for attending these forums.

To RSVP, or for additional information, please contact Brittney Rizo, Training and Outreach Coordinator at Brittney.rizo@state.ma.us or 617-586-1363.

