



# COMFORT DOG MINISTRY

## 8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL LCC K-9 MINISTRIES NATIONAL CONFERENCE



On July 24-26<sup>th</sup>, Triton and team (Marti Matz, Katherine Wolfe, Carolyn Nussman and Kathy Mardis) attended the annual LCC K-9 Ministries National Conference in Northbrook, IL. This year's theme was "God is our Safe Place" Psalm 46:1. Comfort Dog teams from all over the United States gathered for training opportunities with our dogs, break-out sessions covering numerous topics to assist us when out serving in our communities with Triton, special guest speakers, and lots of fellowship with our fellow Comfort teams and their Comfort dogs! This was our first year to attend with our own Comfort Dog, Triton which made it even more meaningful! At the end of conference our team (Triton, Marti and Kathy) was able to do a special visit along with a few other comfort dog teams with Zippy Comfort Dog's Top Dog and Caregiver who is going through a serious illness. It was a special surprise for her and a blessed time for all involved to bring comfort and love to one of our own!



**TEAM TRITON'S EL PASO DEPLOYMENT**-On August 3<sup>rd</sup>, tragedy struck in El Paso, Texas and then Dayton, Ohio and the call was sent out for our Comfort Dogs to deploy to comfort those experiencing loss and trauma. Team Triton served with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Deployment teams. Deployment is a very important part of Triton's job and our Comfort Dog Ministry, so when we were asked by LCC to deploy, we wanted to serve with Triton along with Comfort Dog Teams Elijah, Cubby, Nicodemus, Joanna and Eddie. It is an honor to be able to support those who are suffering and in need. Triton did great bringing his golden love and comfort to everyone he met in El Paso. Our presence really made a difference. We are so blessed to have had Marti Matz and Katherine Wolfe deploy with Triton and for their serving hearts. This was our first big deployment and we thank God for his guidance and protection.



To learn more about the Lutheran Church Charities Comfort Dog ministry, go to:

<https://www.lutheranchurchcharities.org/k-9-ministries1.html>

or their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/k9comfort>

Triton's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/TritonComfortDog>

Triton's Instagram page: <https://www.instagram.com/lckk9triton/>

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