

ASSISTANCE/THERAPY ANIMALS TRAINING RESOURCES:

- <http://www.MyTherapyPets.com>

Chris Bordner writes:

"...Therapy Pet visitations are a wonderful experience. They brighten people's faces, and put a gleam in their eyes to see a pet come into their rooms. Each Therapy Pet Team has many stories they can tell the difference their pet made in someone's day. It is amazing how much animals mean to the human heart and spirit. Bed-ridden people try to lean forward to get a better look at the pet. Hands with arthritis that can't feed themselves, pet the dog all the while forgetting the pain. The tears of joy that stream down their faces as they see us walk in the room. It is more than companionship...it is an emotional journey that heals the heart, gives purpose to continue another day..."

- **Central Ohio Good Shepherds**

Chapter #157 of Therapy Dogs International, Inc.

For contact information go to: <http://www.centralohiogoodshepherds.com>

- For more information on **Therapy Dogs** go to: <http://www.tdi-dog.org/>
- In the Central Ohio area you will find various resources including the following:

Pilot Dogs, Inc.

625 West Town Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215
Phone: (614) 221-6367

www.pilotdogs.org

Pilot Dogs, Inc. trains dogs to be guides for blind and visually-impaired individuals, free of charge. Training of both dogs and human partners is funded through private donations. Newsletters, FAQ, application, and puppy donation info available at website.

For additional therapy dog and training resources:

- http://www.vachss.com/help_text/animal_training.html