

## Free eye exams offered to service dogs May 14 in Vero Beach

By staff report

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VERO BEACH — In May, Vero Beach Veterinary Hospital, in partnership with the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists, will offer the third annual ACVO/Merial National Service Dog Eye Exam Event to help serve guide dogs, handicap assistance dogs, detection dogs, and search and rescue dogs.

Vero Beach Veterinary Hospital will have appointments available May 14. Dr. Michele Stengard, a board-certified veterinary ophthalmologist, will be see patients.

To qualify, dogs must be active “working dogs” that were certified by a formal training program or organization, or that are enrolled in a formal training program. The certifying organization can be national, regional or local. Specific service dog groups are listed on the website at [www.ACVOeyeexam.org](http://www.ACVOeyeexam.org).

Owners/agents for the dogs must register the animal via an online registration form at [www.ACVOeyeexam.org](http://www.ACVOeyeexam.org).

Appointment times are filled on a first-come, first-served basis.



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