

Dog-Friendly Workplace Inspiration

As you apply for your **2023 CESAR® Workplace Grant**, consider these types of amenities, programs and policies. They can help make your workplace better for dogs, pet owners and non-pet owners alike.



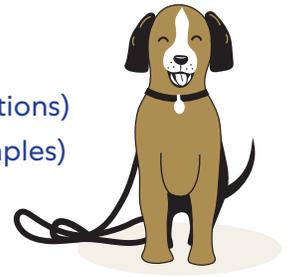
Responsible Pet Ownership Support

- Leash hooks to keep dogs safe and near their pet parents
- Blankets or dog beds for comfortable naps ([learn about dog-friendly décor/furniture](#))
- Dog behavior or socialization training classes
- Portable water bowls to help pet parents keep their dogs hydrated
- "My Dog is With Me Today" desk flags or other cues for employees and visitors
- Cubbies or other storage furniture for dogs' items
- Signage reminding pet parents of their responsibilities ([see examples](#))
- A clear policy about dogs at your workplace ([see example](#))
- Refillable waste bag holders to help pet parents clean up when needed
- A process or survey for checking in with employees before, during and/or after dog-friendly workplace implementation



Health & Safety Support

- Dog-friendly workplace design and décor ([see best practices](#))
- Color-coded leash or bandana programs ([how these work](#))
- Well-communicated emergency procedures that include dogs ([learn more here](#))
- Waste boxes or stations dispensing free waste bags
- Clean-up kits that support workplace cleanliness and safety ([see cleaning considerations](#))
- Signage about your dog-friendly workplace, including rules or guidelines ([see examples](#))
- Dog water fountains or other types of dog-friendly hydration systems
- Interior or exterior items that promote cleanliness or safety (cord covers, rugs, mats, dog crossing signage, service or therapy animal parking signs, etc.)



Celebration/Engagement Support

- Comfortable areas for dogs and pet parents to interact away from desks or busy common areas
- Tips for creating dog resumes to highlight qualities dogs bring to workplaces ([see how](#))
- Creating content on your website about dogs in your workplace
- Graphics for electronic or on-site use that promote your dog-friendly workplace
- Business cards or other collateral that celebrates your dog-friendly workplace
- Onsite amenities or programs that allow employees to celebrate having their dogs with them at work, e.g., a selfie spot, "dog of the week," etc. ([see ideas here](#))
- External PR and social posts celebrating the dogs at your workplace ([see tips](#))



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