## Kids N' Coins Program

- An opportunity for students to learn about Leader Dogs for the Blind and how we accomplish our mission of enhancing the lives of blind and visually impaired individuals.
- An opportunity for students to participate in a fundraiser to "Help Send a Leader Dog to School."
- Established after 60 years of presenting to youth groups throughout Michigan.
- Raises awareness in four key areas:
  - O Organization & History
  - Puppy Program & Training
  - Student/Dog Team
  - o Blindness/Orientation & Mobility
- Some of the curriculum units educators have included the program in are:
  - Working Animals
  - o The Human Eye
  - o Disability Awareness
  - Everyday Heroes
  - o Community Involvement/Volunteerism
- Kids N' Coins supplies everything needed to participate (except for the kids and the coins). Leader
  Dog supplies a guest speaker, posters, lesson plans, a participation plaque, and certificates of generosity for the students.
- The program can be as large (an entire school) or as small (one classroom) as required by each school's needs.
- Presentations by Leader Dog staff available in Southeast Michigan area. For locations outside Southeast Michigan we will attempt to find a speaker in the area (graduate student or puppy raiser).
- Contact Kathy Breen at (888)777-5332 or <u>kbreen@leaderdog.org</u> to set up a presentation date and receive a program coordinator packet.