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**Designers & Sponsors Needed For Semper K9 Festival of Trees Fundraiser**

**Manassas, VA**. – Semper K9 and Manassas Mall are looking for community groups, organizations or businesses to sponsor Christmas trees for the first annual Semper K9 Festival of Trees. The event will be held November 8th-17th at Manassas Mall and will feature a holiday themed room filled with Christmas trees that are uniquely designed and decorated by sponsors.

Combat veteran founded and operated, Semper K9’s mission is to enhance the quality of life for wounded and disabled service members by providing them with trained service dogs. Using rescued and donated dogs, Semper K9 trains and places service dogs free of charge with wounded service members.

Trees donated to the Festival of Trees will be displayed for shoppers and visitors in the mall, and various events will take place to showcase them. On November 17th all trees will be auctioned off at a special VIP auction, and proceeds from the auction will benefit the Semper K9 Assistance Dogs program.

For more information about the Festival of Trees, Semper K9 organization or to sponsor a tree, please contact Amanda Baity at amanda@semperk9.org.

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**About Semper K9 Assistance Dogs:** Semper K9 Assistance Dogs is a combat veteran founded and operated 501(c)(3) nonprofit that provides assistance dogs for wounded, critically ill and injured members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families. Christopher Baity, Semper K9’s Executive Director, is an OEF/OIF combat veteran Marine Corps dog trainer and kennel master with three combat deployments, one civilian deployment and two additional overseas deployments with military working dogs. Learn more about Semper K9 at [www.SemperK9.org](http://www.SemperK9.org) and follow them on social media: @SemperK9

**About Manassas Mall:** Manassas Mall is a dining, shopping and entertainment destination located on Sudley Rd. near I-66 in Western Prince William County. Anchored by At Home, Macy’s, Sears and Walmart, the center offers more than 75 top retail shops, sit down dining and family entertainment options. With a truly unique and diverse tenant mix, Manassas Mall is the place to Eat, Shop, and Play. For further information on mall updates and events, please visit the website at [www.ManassasMall.com](http://www.manassasmall.com/). Like us on [Facebook.com/ManassasMall](http://www.facebook.com/manassasmall) and follow us on [Twitter.com/ManassasMall](http://www.twitter.com/manassasmall) and [Instagram.com/ManassasMall](https://instagram.com/manassasmall/).

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