



**Re: Buddy Walk – Down syndrome Awareness Walk
Saturday, October 26, 2013
9:00 am**

The Buddy Walk® was established in 1995 by the National Down Syndrome Society to celebrate Down Syndrome Awareness Month in October and to promote acceptance and inclusion of people with Down syndrome. Today, the Buddy Walk program is supported nationally by NDSS and organized at the local level by parent support groups, schools and other organizations and individuals.

This year will be the 2nd Annual Buddy Walk held in Southeast Texas. We look forward to building on the success you helped create at the 2012 Beaumont Buddy Walk. In 2012, we had over 1,000 members of the Southeast Texas Community come out to support Down Syndrome Awareness and raised over \$70,000 for programs provided by The Arc of Greater Beaumont.

The Buddy Walk is a one-mile walk in which anyone can participate without special training. It is an inspirational and educational event that celebrates the many abilities and accomplishments of people with Down syndrome. Whether you have Down syndrome, know someone who does, or just want to show your support, come and join the 2013 Beaumont Buddy Walk!

This year's event will be happening on Saturday, October 26, 2013 at 9:00a.m.

We are asking for your help!

Would you support The Arc of Greater Beaumont again by becoming a 2013 Beaumont Buddy Walk Sponsor?

Please submit the attached sponsorship form or contact

Teri Hawthorne at (409) 838-9012 or teri.hawthorne@arcofbmt.org for more details!

This annual event will be a fun filled day that will be long remembered in the community. This event is designed to foster community involvement and produces visible, tangible, unifying outcomes that you and your employees can be proud of for years to come. Remember that this community event will have long-term, positive repercussions in the city where your customers live and work.

Thank you in advance for helping to make this event become a reality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gary R. Hidalgo'.

Gary R. Hidalgo
Executive Director
The Arc of Greater Beaumont
700 North Street, Suite Q
Beaumont, Texas 77701

Buddy Walk Sponsorship Opportunities

Diamond Sponsor - \$5,000

- Company Name on all Marketing and PR related materials
- Company name on T-Shirt (Prominent)
- Company Logo on website for one year
- (2) 10' x 10' Booth areas to showcase company and sell materials
- Full color logo/company name on day of event brochure cover and poster
- Acknowledgement as diamond sponsor on day of event
- Company name on thank-you ad
- 20 Complimentary registered walkers (T-Shirts included)

Platinum Sponsor - \$3,000

- Company Name on most Marketing and PR related materials
- Company Logo on website for one year
- Company name on T-Shirt (Prominent)
- (2) 10' x 10' Booth area to showcase company and sell materials
- Acknowledgement as platinum sponsor on day of event
- Company name on thank-you ad
- 12 Complimentary registered walkers (T-Shirts included)

Gold Sponsor - \$1,500

- Company Name on some Marketing and PR related materials
- Company name on T-Shirt
- Company name on website
- Company name on day of event poster
- (1) 10' x 10' booth area to showcase company and sell materials
- Acknowledgement as gold sponsor on day of event
- Company name on thank-you ad
- 8 Complimentary registered walkers (T-Shirts included)

Silver Sponsor - \$1,000

- Company name on T-Shirt
- Company name on website
- Company name on day of event poster
- (1) 10' x 10' booth area to showcase company and sell materials
- Company name on thank-you ad
- 6 Complimentary registered walkers (T-Shirts included)

Bronze Sponsor - \$500

- Company name on T-Shirt
- Company name on website
- Company name on thank-you ad
- 4 Complimentary registered walkers (T-Shirts included)

The Arc of Greater Beaumont Buddy Walk

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Event Center Lawn

By becoming a sponsor of the Arc of Greater Beaumont Buddy Walk 2013, you will be helping the Arc of Greater Beaumont fulfill one of our missions: to provide support, resources, advocacy, education and opportunity for those with Down syndrome and their families in Southeast Texas. The Arc of Greater Beaumont encourages parents, families, friends, educators and medical professionals to work together in building a future where everyone can live successful and productive lives. You can find out more by visiting our website: www.arcofbmt.org

Contact Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

We are pleased to sponsor the BUDDY WALK® as a:

- ☐ **Diamond Sponsor- \$5,000**
- ☐ **Platinum Sponsor -\$3,000**
- ☐ **Gold Sponsor- \$1,500**
- ☐ **Silver Sponsor- \$1,000**
- ☐ **Bronze Sponsor- \$500**

Please mail payment to:

**The Arc of Greater Beaumont
Attn: Buddy Walk
700 North Street, Suite Q
Beaumont, TX 77701**

You may also complete your sponsorship online by visiting: www.arcofbmt.org and following the links to the Beaumont Buddy Walk.

700 North Street, Suite Q *Beaumont, TX 77701*409-838-9012* email: teri.hawthorne@arcofbmt.org

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The Buddy Walk®, started by the National Down Syndrome Society, is a heart-warming, one-mile advocacy walk that celebrates the many abilities and accomplishments of people with Down Syndrome in our community.

By sponsoring the T-Shirt for The Beaumont Buddy Walk 2013, you will be helping the Arc of Greater Beaumont fulfill one of our missions: to provide support, resources, advocacy, education and opportunity for those with Down syndrome and their families in Southeast Texas. The Arc of Greater Beaumont encourages parents, families, friends, educators and medical professionals to work together in building a future where everyone can live successful and productive lives. You can find out more by visiting our website: www.arcofbmt.org

We are happy to provide the following gift cards to help raise funds for the Arc of Greater Beaumont Buddy Walk 2013 through sponsoring our Buddy Walk T-Shirt:

___ \$300 (Logo) ___ \$100 (name only)

Company/Name (as it should appear on T-Shirt): _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Contact Email: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Please mail form to: The Arc of Greater Beaumont

Attn: Buddy Walk

700 North Street, Suite Q

Beaumont, TX 77701

Contact Teri Hawthorne if you are interested in walking as a Team in the Buddy Walk or becoming a Corporate Sponsor: teri.hawthorne@arcofbmt.org or 409-838-9012.