



Dear former sponsors and new potential sponsors:

The MI Great Buddy Walk® Committee with its supporting partners; The Great Lakes Bay Area Sports Lions Club and The Saginaw Community Foundation, would like to welcome you in your support for our return of the MI Great Buddy Walk Oct. 3rd, 2021, at 1pm at the Richland Township Park in Hemlock MI.

Since 1995 the Buddy Walk has been advocating as the premier event in October for Down Syndrome Awareness Month to promote acceptance and inclusion of people with Down Syndrome. Our communities have done well with participation over the last decade to recognize and promote inclusion. Our mission this year has changed somewhat with a new purpose. The GLBAS Lions are moving forward with the MI Great Buddy Walk® and its purpose, but we are also raising funds to support children to attend camps that specialize in meeting the needs of children with exceptionalities. We will be providing camp scholarships based on the need to help subsidize the cost of families requiring some assistance for their children to have the same opportunities as others in attending camp. We are so excited to be part of this and the difference we can make for a great bunch of kids.

Money raised from our walk will go to:

- \*Annual contribution to The Nation Down Syndrome Society (as required by NDSS) to support education, research and lobbying efforts on behalf of individuals with Down syndrome.
- \*Tuition scholarships and contributions to Camp Fish Tales and the Lions Bear Lake Camp that provide camping experiences to individuals with disabilities.

We invite you to consider the following sponsorships for the 2021 MI Great Buddy Walk®. Donations can be monetary or an in-kind donation. (Donations are tax deductible, as allowed by law if they are made out to the Saginaw Community Foundation with the proper information attached.) Checks can be made out to SCF/GLBR Buddy Walk and can be mailed to Kate Dupuis, 4342 Sherman, Saginaw, MI. 48604. \*Non-Profit Advocacy tables /spots are free

**Platinum Sponsors \$ 500.00 gift (Monetary or In-Kind) Recognition to include:**

- \*A banner sign to be visible for the event and included on press release, advertising, and social media.
- \*A foam sign to be placed along the park's paved track to be viewed as people are walking
- \*A vendor table spot
- \*Recognition for a year on our Website/Facebook page as a Platinum Sponsor

**Gold Sponsors \$ 200.00 gift (Monetary or In-Kind) Recognition to include:**

- \*A foam sign to be placed along the park's paved track to be viewed as people are walking
- \*A vendor table spot
- \*Recognition for a year on our Website/Facebook page as a Gold Sponsor

**Silver Sponsors: \$ 100.00 gift (Monetary or In-Kind) Recognition to include:**

- \*A vendor table spot
- \*Recognition for a year on our Website/Facebook page as a Silver Sponsor



**Bronze Sponsor: \$ 25.00 fee**

\* A Vendor table spot

Any donations of funds or items for our walk's games are also appreciated and will be recognized on a sponsor Thank You poster and on our website/Facebook page. Thank you very much for your consideration. If you have further questions or concerns, you can reach out to Matt Lockwood or myself. (Kate) 989-798-8661 or (Matt) 989-751-0524.

Sincerely,

*Kate Dupuis, Matt Lockwood*

Event Coordinator(s)

*MI Great Buddy Walk*

*The Saginaw Community Foundation MICS 8035*