

## **Our Mission**

To empower, connect, and support the lifespan of individuals with Down syndrome, their families, and the community through outreach, advocacy, and education in North Carolina.

## **Our Vision**

North Carolina Down Syndrome Alliance is an effective, compassionate, and comprehensive resource on Down syndrome throughout North Carolina. NCDSA envisions a culture in which all people with Down syndrome are empowered to achieve their full potential and live healthy, productive lives as valued citizens. within the fabric of society.

Each year, NCDSA works to strengthen and expand the services provided to individuals with Down syndrome and their families across the state. **Services are divided into 4 core areas:** 

Family Support	Training & Education	Social Opportunities	Outreach
NC First Call Program  New & Expectant Family Program  Newcomer Program  Parent Connections Program  Support & Resource Groups  Resource Referral Program	Educational Workshops & Seminars  Specialized Educational Series  Statewide Conferences  iCan Bike Camp  The Learning Program™	Moms', Dads' Night Out Babies & Tots Play Dates Annual Family Picnic Buddy Walk Holiday Parties Fall Harvest Dance Inclusive Play Dates	Healthcare Providers Education Advocacy Down Syndrome 101 Hispanic Community

The **North Carolina Down Syndrome Alliance** is a 501(c) 3 charitable organization and contributions are fully tax-deductible. NCDSA depends solely on donations and fundraisers to provide programs and services and meet operational costs. It is only through the generosity of many individuals, corporations, and grants that NCDSA is able to provide quality programs and services for individuals with Down syndrome and their families throughout North Carolina.

100% of funds raised at NCDSA's fundraising events go directly to our mission of serving all of North Carolina's families. Your dollars allow families to gain essential resources as they support their loved one with Down syndrome from birth through adulthood.