

*2020 Buddy Walk Knoxville Day of information **

In order to carefully follow city and state guidelines as it relates to COVID-19, DSAG will be having a Drive-Thru for Down syndrome in place of Buddy Walk. The event will still be at **World's Fair Park on November 1, 2020 from 1-4 pm**. Team Captains will drive-thru to pick up shirts. Individuals with Down syndrome who are registered before October 15th, 2020 will receive their shirt, medal and goody bag.

World's Fair Park Drive will be closed to through traffic for our event.

Tents are NOT allowed; the Festival Lawn is currently closed to the public.

Donation drop off- Look for signs to the designated area. This is where you will turn in any cash or check donations. If you registered online and raised money online and do not have any donations to turn in that day, you will simply go through the Drive thru area to pick up team shirts. Everyone's online fundraising totals as of midnight October 30, 2020 will be used to determine DSAG dollar amounts. You can continue to collect funds and take online donations until November 15, 2020. This date will be the cutoff for top fundraising totals.

DSAG Dollars- continue as the fundraising incentive program in place. DSAG Dollars can be redeemed for merchandise at our online store (will be available after Buddy Walk). DSAG Dollars are awarded as listed: \$10 for each \$250 raised by October 30, 2020 at midnight (example: \$500 raised would earn \$20 in DSAG Dollars). DSAG Dollars will be awarded by email on or after November 3, 2020. You will also receive a route sign at no charge by raising \$500 by October 1, 2020. DSAG dues for the upcoming year will be waived if your team raises \$1,000 or more. The top 3 fundraisers for Buddy Walk 2020 will be announced in the December DSAG newsletter and presented on stage at Buddy Walk 2021. Also, first place will receive a \$100 retail gift card, second place will receive a \$50 retail gift card and third place will receive a \$25 retail gift card. The winners will also be featured in the 2021 BW materials and have a designated tent on the Festival Lawn at Buddy Walk 2021! Remember, you have until November 15, 2020 to continue fundraising.

Our **Drive-thru event** will take the place of our traditional Buddy Walk medal ceremony. Team Captains will drive-thru to pick up shirts. Individuals with Down syndrome who are registered **before** October 15th, 2020 will receive their shirt, medal and goody bag when driving through the line. We ask that you please **REMAIN IN YOUR VEHICLE** during the time you are at the event. Each vehicle of our friends with Ds need to stop at the designated area near the Grand Ave. side of World's Fair Park (playground area) to check-in. Be sure to have the individual's name written on a provided index card, so their name can be announced while in the drive-thru pick up line.

Marketplace isn't possible this year due to the structure of our event. Watch for other fun ways you can support DSAG!

If you are new to the DSAG family over the last year - through birth of a baby, expecting a baby, adoption or moving to East Tennessee - be sure and let someone know at check in.

The Buddy Walk Committee has done a phenomenal job and worked very, very hard for many months to make Buddy Walk possible. Be sure and let them know you appreciate all their time and effort! Please be patient, this is all different for everyone.

If you have any other questions, feel free to email me at angie.holbert@dsagtn.org

Thank you for helping make DSAG programs and events possible!

*All information is subject to change, considering COVID-19 guidelines.