

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 3037.25

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF \$10,000.00 TO BEST BUDDIES INTERNATIONAL; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Best Buddies International is a licensed, 501(c)(3) non-profit agency serving people with Down syndrome, autism, Fragile X, Williams syndrome, cerebral palsy, traumatic brain injury, and other undiagnosed disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Best Buddies is to establish a global volunteer movement that create opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment and leadership development for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD); and

WHEREAS, Best Buddies is the world's largest organization dedicated to ending the social physical and economic isolation of the 200-million people with IDD; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that a contribution in the amount of \$10,000.00 to Best Buddies is in the best interest of the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals Adopted. That each of the above-stated recitals is hereby adopted and confirmed.

Section 2. Authorization. That the payment of \$10,000.00 to Best Buddies is hereby authorized and approved.

Section 3. Implementation. That the Mayor and Town Manager are authorized to take any and all action which is necessary to implement this Resolution.

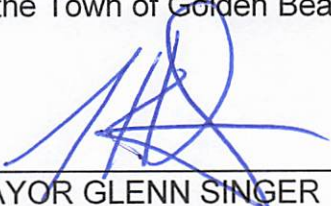
Section 4. Effective Date. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon approval of the Town Council.

Sponsored by the **Town Administration.**

The Motion to adopt the foregoing resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Lusskin, seconded by Councilmember Einstein, and on roll call the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Judy Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Jessie Mendal	<u>Absent</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach, Florida, this 21st day of October, 2025.



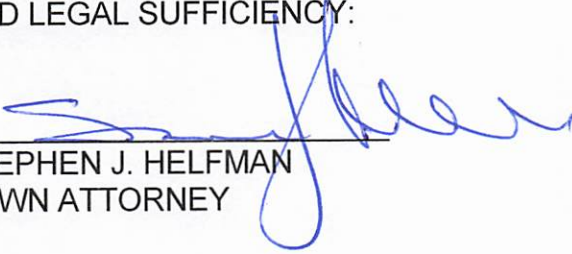
MAYOR GLENN SINGER

ATTEST:



LISSETTE PEREZ
TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



STEPHEN J. HELFMAN
TOWN ATTORNEY



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

100 Ocean Boulevard
Golden Beach, FL 33160

MEMORANDUM

Date: October 21, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor Glenn Singer &
Town Council Members

From: Alexander Diaz, 
Town Manager

Subject: Resolution No. 3037.25 – Authorizing and Approving A
Donation of \$10,000.00 to Best Buddies International

Item Number:

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Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the attached Resolution No. 3037.25 as presented.

Background:

This resolution approves the donation made to Best Buddies International. This donation will support the work Best Buddies performs to establish a global volunteer movement to create opportunities for individuals with disabilities.

Fiscal Impact:

If approved by Council the amount authorized will be \$10,000.00.

BESTBUDDIES.
EST. 1989

MIAMI GALA & CHALLENGE

NOVEMBER 15, 2025

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THE EVENT

BESTBUDDIES®

Friendship. Jobs. Leadership. Living & Family

MIAMI CHALLENGE & GALA

EST. 1989

The 27th Annual Best Buddies Miami Gala and Champion of the Year is a spectacular and impactful event. Through 8-12 weeks of raising funds and awareness for Best Buddies, our Champions will generate countless opportunities for friendships, jobs, leadership development, inclusive living, and family support for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. At the campaign's conclusion, 700 loyal Best Buddies supporters — including business leaders, political dignitaries, sports figures, and celebrities — will gather for an exclusive event featuring a gourmet dinner, dazzling entertainment, and a top-notch auction. The auction will feature a range of items including fine art, dining, sports memorabilia, vacations & staycations, health & fitness, accessories and one-of-a-kind VIP experiences. Proceeds from the event will go towards supporting people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) who are routinely misjudged and ignored.

WHEN

Saturday, November 15, 2025

WHERE

Mana Wynwood

GOAL

The fundraising goal for this year's Challenge and Gala is \$5 million in revenue from sponsorships, live and silent auctions.

[BESTBUDDIES.ORG/MIAMIGALA](https://bestbuddies.org/miamigala)



Anthony K. Shriver and Guy Fieri at the Miami Gala



Miss Florida USA and Miss Florida Teen at the Miami Gala



50 Cent performs at the Miami Gala

OUR MISSION

CHALLENGE YOURSELF TO CHANGE LIVES

Anthony K. Shriver with Peter Cancro and Best Buddies Global Ambassadors.

We are BESTBUDDIES®

Best Buddies is the largest organization dedicated to ending the social, physical, and economic isolation of the 200 million people worldwide with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD).

Our programs empower people with IDD to form meaningful friendships with their peers, secure jobs improve communication and advocacy skills, and live independently, while also offering support for their families.

The IDD community that Best Buddies serves includes, but is not limited to, people with Down syndrome, autism, Fragile X, Williams syndrome, and other undiagnosed disabilities.

Through our work in the community, **Best Buddies will impact 1,373,460 people in 50 states and across 46 countries.** Through the end of the 2024 school calendar, the organization has:



**Matched 118,375
individuals**

in one-to-one friendships



**Supported 2,093
participants**

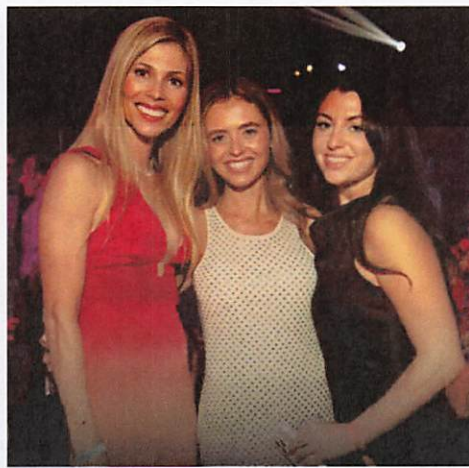
to secure and retain integrated jobs



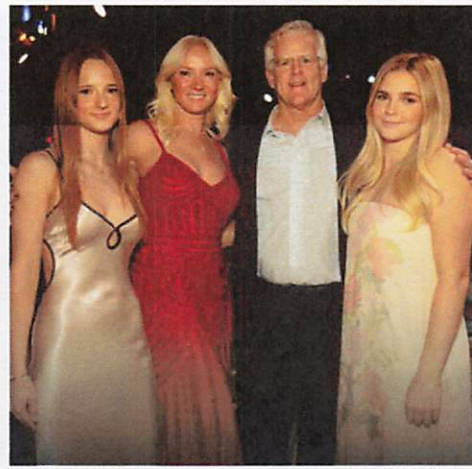
**Developed 16,878
leaders**

to be successful self-advocates

OUR SUPPORTERS



OUR SUPPORTERS



Guests celebrating in style at the 2025 Miami Gala





Past Performers & Attendees

- 38 Special
- Marc Anthony
- Steve Aoki
- Ashanti
- Iggy Azalea
- The B-52's
- Babyface
- The Bangles
- The Beach Boys
- Natasha Bedingfield
- Black Eyed Peas
- Blondie
- Blues Traveler
- Bono
- Chris Brown
- Capital Cities
- Cheap Trick
- Ciara
- Jason Derulo
- Dennis Deyoung
- DJ Khaled
- Earth, Wind & Fire
- En Vogue
- Don Felder
- Dropkick Murphys
- Far East Movement
- Flo Rida
- Gloria Gaynor
- Go-Go's
- Goo Goo Dolls
- Macy Gray
- Bruce Hornsby
- Wyclef Jean

- Joan Jett
- Kesha
- Gladys Knight
- KC and The
- Sunshine Band
- Kool & The Gang
- Cyndi Lauper
- LMFAO
- Michael McDonald
- Willie Nelson
- Nelly
- Sean Paul
- Plain White T's
- The Pointer Sisters
- Jay Sean
- Smash Mouth
- Rick Springfield
- Sugar Ray
- Temptations
- Third Eye Blind
- Carlos Vives
- Bebe Winans

Celebrities/ Notable Guests

- Tom Arnold
- Mel B
- President Joe Biden
- Jamie Brewer
- Romero Britto
- Gisele Bündchen
- David Caruso
- Michael Chiklis
- Cindy Crawford

- Joan Cusack
- Robert De Niro
- Patrick Duffy
- Clint Eastwood
- Dakota Fanning
- Elle Fanning
- Guy Fieri
- Kate Flannery
- Greg Fitzsimmons
- Vivica A. Fox
- Kaia Gerber
- Presley Gerber
- Nolan Gould
- Linda Gray
- Savannah Guthrie
- Harry Hamlin
- David Hasselhoff
- Carlos Slim Helú
- Cheryl Hines
- Ron Howard
- Kelly Hu
- Nick Jonas
- Ethel Kennedy
- Jason Lewis
- Rob Lowe
- Austin Mahone
- Marlee Matlin
- Norm Macdonald
- Maureen McCormick

- Charlotte McKinney
- Nancy O'Dell
- Artemis Pebdani
- Sean Penn
- Lauren Potter
- Lisa Rinna
- Fred Savage
- Katherine Schwarzenegger
- Patrick Schwarzenegger
- Ryan Seacrest
- Charlie Sheen
- Maria Shriver
- Gene Simmons
- Crystle Stewart
- Verne Troyer
- Anna Wintour

Athletic Superstars

- Muhammad Ali
- Bill Belichick
- Brie & Nikki Bella
- Drew Bledsoe
- Barry Bonds
- Tom Brady
- Tedy Bruschi
- Mario Chalmers
- Julian Edelman
- Evander Holyfield
- Kyrie Irving
- Caitlyn Jenner
- Michelle Kwan
- Carl Lewis
- Alonzo Mourning
- Shaquille O'Neal

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Moments from the 2025 Miami Gala



• TITLE SPONSOR **\$500,000 - SOLD**

(\$480,000 TAX DEDUCTIBLE)

- Forty (40) invitations to attend the Gala
- Ownership of the VIP Welcome Reception
- Forty (40) invitations to attend a private VIP Welcome Reception
- Name/Corporate logo incorporated into the front cover design of the Miami Gala invitation
- Prominent display of Name/Corporate branding throughout event
- Direct link to sponsor webpage on the Miami Gala and Auction websites
- Listing in major donors section of annual report
- Recognized as Presenting Sponsor in all event materials and advertisement
- Complimentary car service for the evening of the Gala



PRESENTING SPONSOR **\$250,000**

(\$235,000 TAX DEDUCTIBLE)

- Thirty (30) invitations to attend the Gala
- Ownership of a prominent space within the Gala
- Thirty (30) invitations to attend a private VIP Welcome Reception
- Name/Corporate logo incorporated into the front cover design of the Miami Gala invitation
- Prominent display of Name/Corporate branding throughout event
- Direct link to sponsor webpage on the Miami Gala and Auction websites
- Listing in major donors section of annual report
- Recognized as Presenting Sponsor in all event materials and advertisement
- Complimentary car service for the evening of the Gala

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



FRIENDSHIP SPONSOR \$100,000

(\$90,000 TAX DEDUCTIBLE)

- Twenty (20) invitations to attend the Gala
- Twenty (20) invitations to attend a private VIP Welcome Reception
- Name/Corporate logo incorporated into the Miami Gala invitation
- Prominent display of Name/Corporate logo throughout event
- Direct link to sponsor webpage on the Miami Gala and Auction websites
- Listing in major donors section of annual report
- Recognized as Friendship Sponsor in all event materials and advertisement
- Complimentary car service for the evening of the Gala



EMPLOYMENT SPONSOR \$50,000

(\$40,000 TAX DEDUCTIBLE)

- Twenty (20) invitations to attend the Gala
- Ten (10) invitations to attend a private VIP Welcome Reception
- Name/Corporate logo on the Miami Gala invitations
- Prominent display of Name/Corporate logo
- Direct link to sponsor webpage on the Miami Gala and Auction websites
- Listing in the major donors' section of annual report
- Recognized as Employment Sponsor in all event materials and advertisements



A night of celebration at the 2025 Miami Gala



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

A snapshot from the 2025 Miami Gala



LEADERSHIP SPONSOR \$25,000

(\$20,000 TAX DEDUCTIBLE)

- Ten (10) invitations to attend the Gala
- Two (2) invitations to attend a private VIP Welcome Reception
- Display of Name/Corporate logo
- Direct link to sponsor webpage on the Miami Gala and Auction websites
- Listing in annual major donors' section of annual report
- Recognized as Leadership Sponsor in all event materials and advertisement



INCLUSIVE LIVING SPONSOR \$10,000

(\$5,000 TAX DEDUCTIBLE)

- Ten (10) invitations to attend the Gala
- Display of Name/Corporate logo
- Direct link to sponsor webpage on the Miami Gala and Auction websites
- Listing in annual major donors' section of the annual report

All sponsorship benefits based on availability and date of commitment.

Media placements reflect historical promotional efforts and are subject to change.



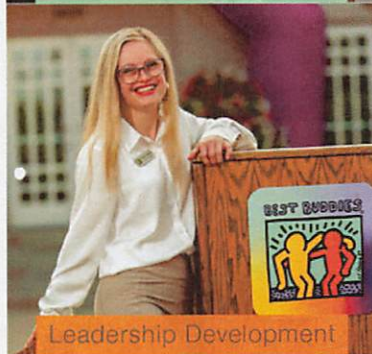
BESTBUDDIES PROGRAMS



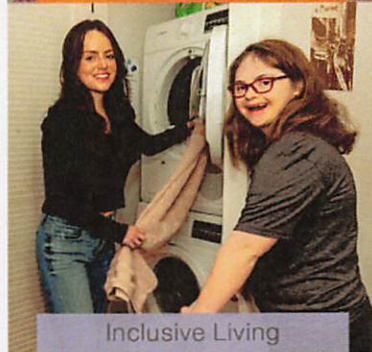
One-To-One Friendships



Integrated Employment



Leadership Development



Inclusive Living



Family Support

One-To-One Friendships

Builds friendships between people with and without IDD, offering social mentoring while improving the quality of life and level of inclusion for a population that is often isolated and excluded.

BESTBUDDIES. Elementary Schools, Middle Schools, High Schools, Colleges, & Citizens Creates an inclusive community for students and adults with IDD, helping them become socially integrated with their peers at every age.

e-BUDDIES.

Provides opportunities for participants with and without IDD to form virtual one-to-one friendships, create connections in the e-Buddies social platform, and attend social events online.

Integrated Employment

Secures jobs for people with IDD, empowering them to earn an income, pay taxes, and independently support themselves through their professional accomplishments.

BESTBUDDIES. Jobs

Matches skilled, qualified individuals with IDD with businesses seeking enthusiastic and dedicated employees. Through the Jobs program, Best Buddies develops partnerships with employers, assists with the hiring process and provides ongoing support to the employee and employer.

Leadership Development

Educates and empowers people with and without IDD to become leaders, public speakers, and advocates.

BESTBUDDIES. Ambassadors

Offers people with and without IDD the opportunity to gain the public speaking skills, self-esteem, and confidence needed to successfully advocate for themselves, their peers, and Best Buddies in communities and workplaces.

BESTBUDDIES. Promoters

Empowers youth to become advocates for people with IDD and helps chapters organize special events that promote inclusion and bring awareness to the disability rights movement.

BESTBUDDIES. Transitions

Offers a combination of classroom-based training, experiential learning, and corporate mentorship to help students with IDD explore post-secondary options, prepare for independent living, and identify career ambitions.

Inclusive Living

Provides an integrated experience in which people with and without IDD are active, contributing citizens – living independently in a dynamic environment where they can learn, grow, and thrive.

BESTBUDDIES. Living

Offers individuals with and without IDD an opportunity to live together in a vibrant, educational community that supports all residents in advancing their employment, financial literacy, continued education, and life skills as they work to achieve their personal goals.

Family Support

Provides families access to individual connections and community resources that assist them on their journey of supporting a family member with IDD.

Eunie's BESTBUDDIES.

Connects families who are expecting or have a young child with IDD to experienced parents of a child with IDD, encouraging a genuine relationship rooted in mentorship, resource-sharing, and guidance.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

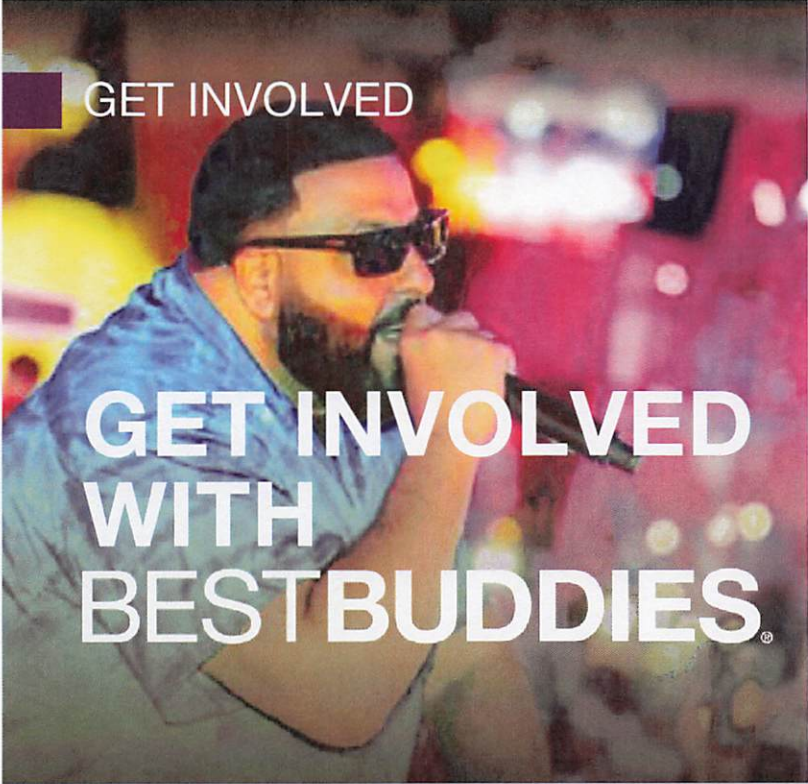
BESTBUDDIES AROUND THE WORLD

46 Countries
& Territories



5 Continents





GET INVOLVED

GET INVOLVED WITH BESTBUDDIES®

MIAMI GALA MAJOR SPONSORS

Best Buddies would like to thank the following individuals and companies who have so generously supported in 2024 Miami Gala at the Leadership Sponsor Level and above:

- Andrew P. Barowsky Foundation
- Ansin Foundation
- Micky and Madeleine Arison Family Foundation
- Ashbritt Management & Logistics
- Braman Miami
- David and Leila Centner Charitable Foundation
- The Coca-Cola Company
- The Crown & Kunkler Family
- Dart Group Foundation
- Events Saint Clair
- The Ferraro Law Firm
- Fort Partners
- The GEO Group Foundation, Inc.
- Christina Griffith
- Klingman & Associates
- PWG Charitable Foundation
- Rubin Family Foundation
- Sterling Foundation Management
- Brett & Daniel Sundheim
- Sun Capital Partners Foundation, Inc.
- Sandy & Tony Tamer
- W-5 Group

There are approximately 200 million people in the world with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD), or almost 3% of the global population. About eight million of those individuals live in the United States, affecting one in every ten families. Tragically, most people with IDD continue to be marginalized and maligned by society, living life as an invisible minority. **The problems facing people with IDD are big, but we are bigger. With more than 2,800 chapters in 53 countries, Best Buddies is spreading its mission of friendship, employment, leadership development and inclusive living around the world.**

We couldn't have gotten where we are today without our supporters, and we need your help in order to meet the huge demand that currently exists. Become an agent of change in creating a more inclusive and complete society. **Here are a few ways to get involved with Best Buddies each year:**

- Sponsor a Buddy Pair at The Best Buddies Friendship Ball — \$10,000
- Underwrite the cost of an integrated job for a Buddy — \$7,500
- Fund a new chapter in the Friendship Program — \$5,000
- Fund an Ambassadors training session — \$2,500
- Send a student to Leadership Conference — \$1,000
- Sponsor a Buddy Pair — \$250
- Fund an online e-Buddies Pair — \$100
- Sponsor a job coaching session for a Buddy Job Participant — \$50
- Support training and instruction for a school chapter — \$25
- Invite your child to join his or her local school chapter Volunteer
- Hire a Buddy at your company
- Sign up to compete in one of our cycling events by visiting bestbuddieschallenge.org



President Kennedy presents a pen to sister Eunice Kennedy Shriver after signing Maternal, Child Health and Mental Retardation Bill - The White House, October 1963

For more than half a century, the Kennedy family has been at the forefront of global efforts to support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). Starting with the family matriarch Rose Kennedy, the Kennedys have always been strong proponents of helping individuals with IDD, who for years were shut away, powerless to change society's negative perception of them.

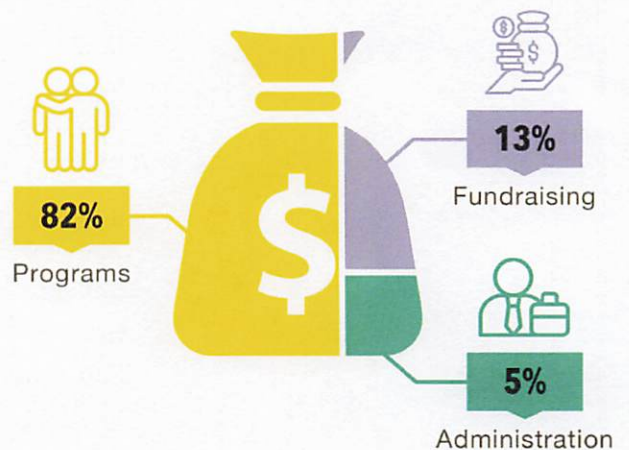
President John F. Kennedy founded the first President's Committee on Mental Retardation. He also welcomed a person with IDD to the White House, thus becoming the first head of state anywhere in the world to receive a person with IDD as an official guest.

His sister, Eunice Kennedy Shriver, was the founder and driving force of the Special Olympics. Mrs. Shriver also served as a board member of Best Buddies International in continued support of her son Anthony's efforts to enhance the opportunities available to people with IDD. Her husband, the late Sargent Shriver, the first Director of the Peace Corps, was also an active supporter of Best Buddies for many years.

Influenced by his family's commitment to the issues of individuals with IDD, Anthony Kennedy Shriver founded Best Buddies International in 1989 at Georgetown University. Under Anthony's leadership, Best Buddies has expanded its programs across the United States and internationally, creating a positive impact on the lives of millions of people with and without disabilities worldwide.



Where The Dollar Goes...



Contributions to Best Buddies are judiciously spent, with the majority of these funds directly applied to the enrichment of the organization's programs.

Expenses for calendar year 2023 based on Best Buddies International's Form 990.

BEST BUDDIES®



Best Buddies Miami Gala

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