



# Best Buddies Canada

Because everyone deserves a friend!

Hello Best Buddies Community,

Happy July! We hope you all had a great Canada Day.

If you haven't done so yet, please be sure to submit your Year End Report. This is important to ensure we have the correct contact information for next year and know how to best support your chapter.

Thank you for all the time and energy you put towards fostering friendship and inclusion at your schools this year. We hope you have a relaxing, restorative summer with your family and friends!



## Thank You, Best Buddies 2024-2025!

We're celebrating another year of connection, inclusion, and life-changing friendships!

Thank you to every teacher, chapter president, host site coordinator, peer buddy, and buddy who made the 2024-2025 program year so special. We can't wait to see what the next year brings!

Check out our Year in Review Reel featuring photos submitted from our chapters [here!](#)

## Register for a Friendship Walk in Your Community!

The Best Buddies Canada Friendship

Walk is a celebration of friendship! The Walk fosters an inclusive Canada for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD).

AND for all you early birds (and early risers), register for a Friendship Walk before **July 14th** to be automatically entered into a draw to win a **Hush Blankets Queen sized mattress!** The prize is valued at \$2500 and includes shipping.

**Sign up as a team or walk on your own!**



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**FRIENDSHIP WALK**

## Register Today

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London  
Mississauga  
Vancouver  
Simcoe County  
Southern Manitoba  
Virtual

[www.bestbuddies.ca/friendshipwalk](http://www.bestbuddies.ca/friendshipwalk)



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## Early Bird DRAW

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**July 14th**  
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**Hush Graph-Iced  
Queen Size Mattress**  
Valued at \$2500  
(Bed-frame not included)

**Register  
NOW**



We would like to congratulate Lily Rosenberg on being selected for the new Best Buddies Emerging Leadership Program (ELP), where she will represent Best Buddies Canada and meet buddies and leaders for inclusion from around the world.

The Emerging Leadership Program helps buddies practice leadership, public speaking, and social skills while advocating for the Best Buddies mission. It's the newest program in the Best Buddies Leadership Development pillar and Lily will be joining the inaugural class. We are so excited to celebrate Lily's new leadership role and see all that she accomplishes in the program.

Way to go, Lily!

# DONOR RECOGNITION



We are grateful to the Marion I. and Gordon Douglass Fund at the Winnipeg Foundation for their support of our program. Their contribution allows us to expand new programs in Winnipeg and promote our message of inclusion.

## Year End Report

Please be sure to fill out our mandatory Year End Report! If you don't plan to return as Staff Advisor next year, please provide the contact information for your replacement.

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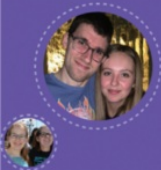
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