



# Tips for Collecting Donations for the Puget Sound Buddy Walk®

## FirstGiving Website

*It's easy to set up your own individual or team page on FirstGiving*

1. Go to our FirstGiving page directly at [www.firstgiving.com/14286](http://www.firstgiving.com/14286) or click on one of the FirstGiving links on the DSC website [downsyndromecommunity.org](http://downsyndromecommunity.org)
2. Click on *Get Started* on our FirstGiving page
3. FirstGiving will lead you through the steps of setting up a user ID if you don't have one
4. Then, FirstGiving will lead you through the process of creating your own page
5. You can customize and personalize your FirstGiving page to make it unique
6. You also have the options of making a donation directly to the DSC by clicking the *Donate* button, or sponsoring a friend who has already set up a FirstGiving page

## Donation Collection Form

*Use the Donation Collection Form to solicit donations offline, person to person*

1. Make as many copies of the form as you need
2. Collect the donations before the Buddy Walk
3. Be sure to add your offline donations to your FirstGiving page so it reflects your true total – scroll down on your editing page to find the *Amount raised offline* box
4. Bring your collected donations to the Buddy Walk or mail them to the address on the form
5. Please don't send cash through the mail

## It Can Be Easy to Raise \$500 in 7 Days – Here's One Way

- Day 1 Sponsor yourself for \$25 (total: \$25)
- Day 2 Ask four family members to sponsor you for \$25 (total: \$125)
- Day 3 Ask five friends to sponsor you for \$15 (total: \$200)
- Day 4 Ask five co-workers to sponsor you for \$10 (total: \$250)
- Day 5 E-mail 15 people asking for a \$10 sponsorship (total: \$400)
- Day 6 Ask your company for a \$50 contribution (total: \$450)
- Day 7 Ask two businesses you frequent for a \$25 contribution (total: \$500)



## Fundraising Incentive

*Brooks Running employees have donated a gift certificate for Brooks shoes and apparel at [www.brooksrunning.com](http://www.brooksrunning.com)*

*The team or individual raising the most money for the Puget Sound Buddy Walk will receive a gift certificate worth \$900 retail value!*

*Check our FirstGiving page for updates.  
[www.firstgiving.com/14286](http://www.firstgiving.com/14286)*



## Teams

You don't have to go it alone! Organize a team from your workplace, school, church or community. Pool your resources to support people with Down syndrome.

## Everyone Welcome!

Bring anyone and everyone to the Buddy Walk to advocate on behalf of all people with Down syndrome.

All buddies are welcome at the Buddy Walk! Family members, friends, neighbors, co-workers, teachers, students, medical professionals, therapists, youth and civic organizations, businesses, legislators, advocates.