



**BESTBUDDIES®**  
Friendship, Jobs, Leadership Development & Living

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## **BOILER PLATE**

### **ABOUT BEST BUDDIES INTERNATIONAL:**

Best Buddies® is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to establishing a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment, leadership development and inclusive living for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Founded in 1989 by Anthony K. Shriver, Best Buddies is a vibrant organization that has grown from one original chapter to nearly 2,900 middle school, high school, and college chapters worldwide. Today, Best Buddies' nine formal programs — *Middle Schools, High Schools, Colleges, Citizens, e-Buddies®*, *Jobs, Ambassadors, Promoters* and *Inclusive Living*— engage participants in each of the 50 states and in 54 countries, positively impacting the lives of over 1.25 million people with and without disabilities around the world. In many cases, as a result of their involvement with Best Buddies, people with intellectual and developmental disabilities secure rewarding jobs, live on their own, become inspirational leaders, and make lifelong friendships. For more information, please visit [www.bestbuddies.org](http://www.bestbuddies.org), [www.facebook.com/bestbuddies](https://www.facebook.com/bestbuddies) or [www.twitter.com/bestbuddies](https://www.twitter.com/bestbuddies).