

SDSBS team joined 2015 Best Buddies Friendship Walk

On April 11, 2015, SDSBS staff members participated as a team in the Second Annual Best Buddies Friendship Walk held in West Palm Beach, Florida. SDSBS was a sponsor of the Walk. The team joined over 500 other walkers and volunteers at the event which raised over \$80,000 to support the organization's programs. Best Buddies is dedicated to establishing a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment and leadership development for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. For more information on these programs, visit www.bestbuddiesflorida.org. ◆

The Lord's Place 2015 Annual SleepOut added a new event – SleepIn

For years, SDSBS has been a sponsor of The Lord's Place annual SleepOut event to raise awareness about homelessness and support for TLP's programs. TLP is a nonprofit, non-sectarian organization committed to breaking the cycle of homelessness with programs that include safe, supportive housing and job training and placement. On April 17, 2015, TLP held its SleepOut in West Palm Beach, Florida. As usual, SDSBS staff participated in the event, enjoying music, a presentation and movie, kids' activities, and food from TLP's Café Joshua Catering Company. Current member of TLP's board of directors and past board chair, Jack Scarola, and his family, participated in the event. This year, TLP added a new event called SleepIn. During the month of April 2015, people who wanted to participate but could not do so because of very young children or other restrictions could hold their own SleepIn in their own homes or backyards. SleepIn participants documented their adventure, and posted pictures and requests for donations on social media. Brian and Rosemary Denney had been SleepOut participants for years, but after their children came along - now 4-years-old and 2-year-old twins - spending the night at an amphitheater did not seem like fun. "When you have children you're limited as to what you can do, so this is a way to be able to participate," said Rosemary, a former member of TLP's board of directors. For more information on TLP, visit www.thelordsplace.org.



SDSBS team joined 2015 Tails and Trails Walk/Run event in Tallahassee

SDSBS was a Gold Paw Sponsor for the 14th Annual Tails & Trails Walk/Run event held May 2, 2015, in Tallahassee, Florida. SDSBS staff participated in the event as a team. The event raises funds to support the Tallahassee Animal Shelter Foundation's programs, including life-saving support for homeless animals, urgent veterinary care, spay/neuter programs, and community education. For more information, visit www.animalshelterfoundation.org.

