



**Who?** *The National Down Syndrome Society initiated the Buddy Walk in 1995 to promote awareness of people with Down syndrome. Sonoma County Down Syndrome Support became an Affiliate in 2005, and started a walk in Sonoma County. Everyone can have fun walking together and sharing the events of the day. Family members, friends, teachers, healthcare professionals, sponsor teams, and members of the community- All are welcome!*

**What?** *The 4th Annual Sonoma County Down Syndrome Support Buddy Walk is a scenic one-mile walk in beautiful Howarth Park, Santa Rosa, CA. Enjoy Mexican Fiesta, carnival games, drawing, and talent show.*

**Why?** *October is Down Syndrome Awareness Month. This fundraiser:*  
*Raises Awareness* –by increasing understanding of Down syndrome and getting to know people with Down syndrome  
*Promotes Advocacy* –by sharing community inclusion with people with Down syndrome  
*Supports Research and Education* –by funding scientific research and sharing educational information for the health and welfare of all people with Down syndrome

**When?** *Saturday, October 4, 2008. Event lasts from 9:00-3:00 p.m.  
Registration begins: 9:00 a.m.  
Walk begins: 11:00 a.m.  
Come rain or shine!*

**Where?** *Howarth Park in Santa Rosa, California  
Meet at the Gazebo for registration, walk start, Fiesta, games, drawing, and valuable information from our Resource Fair.*

**How?** *Sonoma County Down Syndrome Support is a project of Becoming Independent. 501(c)(3) tax I.D. #94-2641147. Remember, donations are tax deductible as allowed by law. If you are unable to attend, but would like to support the Buddy Walk please mail your donation to:  
Sonoma County Down Syndrome Support Buddy Walk/ BI*

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