

DSACT
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About DSACT

The Down Syndrome Association of Central Texas is a non-profit organization committed to spreading awareness and educating its membership and the general public about all issues associated with Down syndrome. This is accomplished by the development of activities and programs that promote inclusion and acceptance of people with Down syndrome in our community.

There are no membership fees to become a member of DSACT and there is no charge to attend any of our events.

DSACT is an affiliate of the National Down Syndrome Society (NDSS) and the National Down Syndrome Congress (NDSC).



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VOLUNTEERS
**Together we
CAN make a
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Our Vision

The Vision of DSACT is a world in which all members, including those with Down syndrome, are accepted, valued for their uniqueness, respected for their abilities and contributions, and assured the opportunity and choice to create their own path to fulfillment and success.

Our Mission

Our Mission is to provide support and resources to individuals with Down syndrome, their families, professionals, and the community to achieve our vision. We achieve this by:

- Promoting the development of programs that enrich the lives of individuals with Down syndrome;
- Increasing public awareness and understanding about the abilities of individuals with Down syndrome;
- Encouraging inclusion of individuals with Down syndrome in our neighborhoods, schools, places of worship, recreational activities, and places of employment;
- Providing education, resources and support to parents and educators to ensure quality education which will prepare individuals with Down syndrome for further education, employment and /or independent living; and
- Creating a forum for the exchange of ideas and experiences.



Volunteer Today— YOU Can Make a Difference

DSACT is a 100% volunteer organization, so volunteers are crucial to our success! We require over 200 volunteers each year to increase awareness and support of individuals with Down syndrome in our community. Many of our projects can be done from home.

Family Support

Monthly gatherings that enable individuals with Down syndrome to interact and form friendships. Parents can network and exchange information about life's experiences.

InkDots (ages 0-6)

KiDSACT (ages 6-12)

Teen Group (ages 13-20)

Adult Group (ages 20+)

Family Information

Monthly Speaker Series on relevant topics such as behavior, medical, legal, financial, health and school issues. Lending Library is a collection of books and videos available to members.

Newsletter

Bi-monthly newsletter includes news features as well as information on programs, meetings, social events, medical and educational issues.

Comité Hispano

Monthly meetings are held for our Spanish speakers. We also have translators at our Family Information Speaker Series and translate written materials to Spanish.

Social

Social gatherings are planned throughout the year (e.g., Spring Picnic and Holiday Party)

Fundraising

Plans events throughout the year to ensure programs are funded. Major fundraisers include the Buddy Walk in October and the Calendar project.

Education Committee

Focuses on the needs of school-aged children in public school system. Emphasis is on providing advocacy training and articles for parents and working toward inclusion for children with Down syndrome.

Recreational Programming

Engaging activities such as music, dance, visual arts, swimming, and social events are tailored for different age groups of individuals with Down syndrome.

SIGN ME UP!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Committees I'm interested in (check all that apply) and mail to the address below:

Buddy Walk Calendar Project
 Fundraising InkDots KiDSACT
 Teen Group Adult Group Holiday Party
 Annual Picnic Recreation
 Speaker Series Newsletter Comité Hispano
 Education Board Member

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