

Theodore Swanson, \$600: Best Buddies Leadership Conference
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Project Description/Goals (1-2 paragraph summary)

This is for the fees of BBLC, the Best Buddies Leadership Conference. This is a conference of Best Buddies leaders from across the globe. To improve the odds of Best Buddies chapters and community leaders fulfilling their commitments high quality personalized training is offered at this event. BBLC attendees have the chance to share ideas and learn strategies to create positive change in their community. This results in Best Buddies leaders who attend this conference to be more successful in growing and leading their chapter.

The primary goal of this is to improve my leadership abilities within the realm of Best Buddies. My abilities would be enriched through networking amongst other chapters' leaders as well as the seminars and events led by the conference. As soon to be Vice President of Best Buddies at Roosevelt, and then eventually president, an experience like this would be instrumental in not only improving my abilities but the Roosevelt Best Buddies chapter as a whole.

Project Timeline

July 17th - July 20th 2026

Total Amount of Requested

\$600

Please outline why you need help with this expense.

This conference will help to grow and strengthen my leadership abilities. I need help with this expense because this event would help me to make roosevelt a more inclusive school. There is no doubt that our best buddies chapter has grown greatly over the past few years, however within this program there is only a smaller group within it whom actually are involved in our activities. In the future, transferring people from simply being in best buddies to being involved with best buddies is my number one priority. The conference is full of those with the most involved chapters and through discussions I would be able to plan out how roosevelt should go about bolstering participation within best buddies. The conference is not close and so I need help with transportation fees as well as registration fees. Within registration fees, I would be given housing and food while at this conference. I need help with this expense because it would help to make Roosevelt a better place.

What member of faculty will oversee this project? (Please include name and email)

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Have you applied for/received additional funding from other sources?

No

Have you received funding by the TRHS Foundation for a previous project?

No

If yes to the above, please list the project, amount awarded, and date. If no, please write 'N/A'.

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Project Description/Goals (1-2 paragraph summary)

This conference experience will offer opportunities to learn from professional presenters, participate in small group discussions, engage with experts, and choose from a diverse variety of education sessions that will inform, inspire, and advance your role in the disability rights movement. Connect with like-minded people who are passionate about inclusion and making a positive impact. Building a network of contacts leads to lasting friendships and collaborations

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Its going help me attend this event. This event will teach me how to be a better leader, aswell as learn how to deal with certain situations, work better with others, etc. without the scholarship I am not able to attend this event. So with the extra help, this would be available for me to go to.

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Project Description/Goals (1-2 paragraph summary)

Best Buddies Leadership Conference. I would be learning more about what it takes to be a leader in the Best Buddies program and would learn more about how to bring inclusiveness into everything. It's a super cool super and super fun event where I would be interacting with people from all over America to bring joy into peoples lives.

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Conference is \$400, bus is \$200. My family often struggles with money and financial problems. My parents are in the middle of a divorce and my dad is trying to find his own place, but with money being tight that it hard. It would help a lot and I would be extremely appreciative for any amount.

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