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They say it takes a village. This is ours.

Big Buddy is made up of a generous community of people who want to make a difference.

You can become part of the Big Buddy village in many ways.



"We show up. We spend time. We come back." Supporting boys without fathers in their lives.

Welcome to Big Buddy.

There are many reasons why a boy might not have a father in his life.

Whatever the reason, the absence of a father can have a significant impact on a young boy – including the lack of a suitable male role model.

We make a positive difference for these boys by providing a volunteer Big Buddy who, quite simply, shows up, spends time and comes back.

It's a simple gesture, with life-changing results. Together, our buddies enjoy the simple things in life – walking the dog, throwing a ball around, spending time together. This regular contact and genuine interest in a Little Buddy's life proves to be a real anchor for him as he grows up.

Big Buddy has been making a positive difference since 1997.



Our Big Buddies.

Our Big Buddies come from all walks of life. Most importantly, they are good men who generously gift their time to make a positive difference in the life of a young boy.

Big Buddy is a free, secular service run by dedicated professionals who recruit and rigorously screen male volunteers. Our screening process is reputed to be the best in New Zealand – just as it should be. Our Big Buddies come from all age groups. The youngest man to apply was 18 years' old and the oldest was in his 80s! Every one of them offers something valuable.

Friends for life.

Big Buddy caters for boys aged between 7-14 years. However, thanks to the strong bonds formed, many buddies maintain a friendship well beyond that, even into adulthood!

Fly Emirates

Isaac & Daniel.

Soccer mad Daniel loves playing with his Big Buddy Isaac and learning new skills. It goes both ways. Says Isaac: "You learn so much through being a Big Buddy. He may be a young kid, but I find I'm always learning from him."

Help make a difference.

Our impact depends on the support of others. If you are looking to make a difference, Big Buddy would love to have your support.

Become a Big Buddy.

If you are a kind-hearted man who could spare 2-3 hours a week to make a meaningful difference to a boys life, please apply to become a Big Buddy.

Make a Donation.

If you are not able to volunteer to be a Big Buddy, there are still so many ways you can make a difference. By making a **one-off** or **regular donation** you will support our efforts to make a positive difference. Even just a small gift goes a long way to making the lives of our boys better.

Other ways to support Big Buddy include leaving **bequests** and **corporate partnerships**.

Please visit bigbuddy.org.nz to show your support.



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