



## Who We Are

The Buddy Fund is a non-sectarian 501 (c) (3) charity helping St. Louis area children without regard to race, ethnicity or religion. It was founded in 1962 by St. Louis Sportscaster Buddy Blattner to supply sports equipment to other charities and organizations that use organized sports to help redirect the lives of these at-risk kids... including boys & girls clubs, police athletic leagues, homes for kids, community centers and after school programs.

## Our Vision

The overwhelming demand for new sporting goods and equipment from all our recipient organizations exceeds what our annual operating income budget is able to provide. Through increased donations and corporate sponsors, The Buddy Fund Board is committed to increasing our income budget to meet increased demand. There is not a better way to have such a positive impactful effect on the disadvantaged at-risk youth of St. Louis than keeping them engaged in team sports and learning how to work together in a constructive environment.

## Accomplishments

Each year we provide sports equipment to approximately 45 organizations that are located in low income neighborhoods, where they have direct access to the at-risk youth.

Since 1962, cumulative efforts by The Buddy Fund have helped over 450,000 youngsters and provided more than \$3,800,000 in sports equipment.

## Our Members

### FOUNDER

Buddy Blattner  
(1920-2009)

### EXEC. DIRECTOR

Ann M. Lederman

### CHAIRMAN

Tim Murch

### OPERATIONS BOARD

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### LIFETIME MEMBERS

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| Richard Padberg | Charlie Young |
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### ADVISORY BOARD

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### EMERITUS

|             |             |
|-------------|-------------|
| Dick Davis  | Dick Morgan |
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## Some of the Organizations Currently on Our Roster

- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater St. Louis
- Greater Madison Khoury League
- Jackie Joyner Kersee Foundation
- Lift for Life Academy
- Matthews Dickey Boys & Girls Club
- North County Mustangs
- PAL St. Louis City & County
- Police Athletic League
- St. Louis City Parks & Recreation

## What Your Donation Provides

**\$1000** in contributions would purchase the following amounts of equipment:

