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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **The Waterloo Wellington Down Syndrome Society Invites the Community to Participate in the Any Which Way You Can A-Thon**

**WATERLOO, ON** - The Waterloo Wellington Down Syndrome Society (WWDSS) will hold its annual fundraising event on Sunday, September 25th, 2022 in Waterloo Park. We are excited to host the Any Which Way You Can A-thon in person after two years of virtual events. We all look forward to gathering in person again - meeting new families and reconnecting with community members who support us. Festivities will begin at 1:00 p.m. with speakers, a 2km walk and roll route, the WWDSS shop, a performance by Erick Traplin, and fundraising prize announcements.

Join us to show that people of all abilities, including people with Down syndrome, are valued in our community! Register as an individual or a team, determine your fundraising goal, invite family, coworkers, and friends to join your team, and start fundraising. One hundred percent of the funds raised will support essential services and programs for individuals with Down syndrome and their families.

#### **Why is it called the Any Which Way You Can A-thon?**

We chose the name to be inclusive of the various ways people may participate. Down syndrome affects the mobility of individuals often requiring physiotherapy to develop the strength, balance, and stamina to learn to walk. Whether people walk or wheel – everyone is welcome!

**To register a team, sponsor a team or individual, or learn more, go to [www.wwdss.ca](http://www.wwdss.ca).**

#### **WWDSS would like to sincerely thank all our event sponsors!**

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#### **About the Waterloo Wellington Down Syndrome Society:**

The Waterloo Wellington Down Syndrome Society (formerly the Waterloo Regional Down Syndrome Society) is a charitable, non-profit organisation created in 1988 by parents of children with Down syndrome. Entirely run by volunteers, every dollar raised goes towards



helping fund the various programs and services provided to our members. The Waterloo Wellington Down Syndrome Society supports and informs individuals, families, and the community on issues related to Down syndrome. We advocate for persons with Down syndrome to lead healthy and active lives, enabling them to contribute their unique gifts to our community.

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