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### **100+ Women Who Care of Will County Donate \$6,300 to Best Buddies**

On June 1, 2021, members of 100+ Women Who Care of Will County had their “big check” presentation donating \$6,300 to Best Buddies program at the Lockport Township High School. Kate Deane, Director of LTHS Foundation, and Sue Herring, the Best Buddies adviser, were presented the checks by members of 100+ Women Who Care of Will County. The giving circle's \$4,200 was matched by 50% by the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation totaling \$6,300.

Lockport Township H.S. Best Buddies is part of an international organization that fosters one on one friendships between students attending regular education classes and those students who have special needs. In an effort to create lifelong friendships Best Buddies pairs students without a disability, with a student with a disability. Students are encouraged to get together outside school, call each other on the phone and email. Best Buddies provides many opportunities for one to one friendship and promotes inclusive living of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Best Buddies hosts at least two activities each month.

Best Buddies is the largest after school club at Lockport Township H.S. Through Best Buddies students are able to see that we are all more alike than not.

Sue said, “For the last eleven years, I have been fortunate to be an Advisor of LTHS Best Buddies and it holds a special place in my heart. Our goal is to create opportunities for lifelong friendship and I have been lucky enough to see so many of those friendships continue into the adult lives of our members. The generous donation from 100+ Women Who Care of Will County will help us continue to create memorable opportunities for LTHS Best Buddies in the future.”

100+ Women Who Care of Will County is for every woman who desires to directly support local charitable organizations. We keep the methodology simple and easy. All 100+ WWC members/teams make a pledge to donate \$100 four times a year. At each of the quarterly meetings members nominate charities, three are chosen at random, and after a brief presentation, the members vote on which charity to support. Once the winning charity is announced, everyone writes a \$100 check, on the spot directly to that charity. All charities nominated must be located in, and serve Will County and must have 501(c)(3) non-profit status.

100+ Women Who Care of Will County's next meeting is September 14th, 2020 from 6:00-7:00 PM at Prairie Bluff Golf Course. For more information, please go to the web site at [www.100wwc-will.org](http://www.100wwc-will.org) or visit us on Facebook.

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