



## Customer Comments

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You should have seen Patrick's face the first time he rode with dad. I thought his face was going to break into 2 pieces, he was smiling so big!

Nancy, Ray & Patrick - Lewisville, TX

I just want you to know that the bike is the real deal. My 9 year old autistic son loves it. It's a solid, well built bike and if your son likes to ride a bike, this will be perfect. By the way, I don't get anything back from praising the bike, my reward is a happy child.

Kruno - Tecumseh, Ontario, Canada

Our son, Nicholas, wants to ride all the time. The first time he rode he had his legs out to the side ... threw his head back ... closed his eyes ... took a deep breath and smiled the biggest smile I've EVER seen...it made me cry. I think maybe it was the first time he'd ever felt the wind in his face. That image will never leave my mind (or heart)...My husband travels weekly, so their time on the bike has been limited - but priceless...We are beyond thrilled to own a buddy bike!

Lori - Fernandina Beach, FL

We weren't sure how Meredith was going to react to being on the bike without any special support around her midriff area...She screamed at first but once the bike started moving she started smiling and making sounds of enjoyment. Now she gets on the bike with enthusiasm! We are very happy with the joy that the bike has given our family. When I'm home with the kids in the summer I can go out and ride with them and get a workout on top of it.

Diane, Doug & Meredith - Indianapolis, IN

...[The Buddy Bike] has been amazing. My husband and Jackson have been out every weekend riding since we got it. Jackson LOVES it! He is enjoying their time together so much- he loves being on the bike, he loves being outside. It is great to have an appropriate activity to do with him that he loves. Best of all, my husband has something special that he can do with his son. When you have a child with significant special needs, it can be hard to find a recreational activity to do together. My husband cannot do a lot of the things that dads do with their typical children- there is no catch, no baseball, soccer, hockey, etc. Those activities are too difficult for Jackson and he does not enjoy them. But he LOVES being on the bike with his dad! And they are having a great time together. Thank you for such a wonderful product. It has made a difference in our lives!!

Michele - Long Island, NY

It was really special time with the Buddy Bike in hand, we rode bikes together on Christmas day for the first time ever as a family.

Kathleen - Destin, FL

Kendra absolutely LOVES her new bike. The foot pegs are great!!! When she seems tired, we just flip them down for her. Anyway, thanks so much for such a great bike!!! The smile on her face the first time we took the bike out was priceless. We all love the buddy bike!!!!

Susan & Kendra - Manitowoc, WI

I'm sending you a photo of Luke's first ride, which wasn't too successful - he loved it but wouldn't keep his feet on the pedals. We've now got some footstraps which keep his feet in place which has solved that. The only problem we have now is that he loves it so much he never wants the ride to end and we sometimes find ourselves going around the block a few times before he'll let us come home without screaming the place down!!

Teresa, Gareth & Luke - Oxon, England

I've two questions for you: 1. Is this much fun from a buddy bike normal or legal? The children and I seem to have smiles from ear to ear when we ride it. 2. Why didn't I buy one sooner?

Laurence - London, UK

My husband & son are out and about on the bike every weekend. We always get comments ... stares ... and questions! We are all too happy to share the Buddy Bike story.

Lori - Fernandina Beach, FL

It's been so awesome. The kids ask for "family bike rides" everyday. Luke (8 yo w/autism) says he doesn't want to ride the bus anymore (he loves the bus), he wants me to ride with him to school everyday!!

Denise - East Lansing, MI

I posted a video of Jeffrey's first bike ride on my [Facebook] profile page! We got it yesterday and his response was "I love this bike", he says it on the video...We are thrilled with the bike... Thank you so much for offering such a wonderful product. This will change our life!

Kami - Yardley, PA

We have had our buddy bike since May of 2006 and have loved it. My son Cole who has autism initially was not able to process the pedaling of the bike and used the foot pegs. We have worked on pedaling several times a week. On 4/3/07 everything came together and now Cole is able to pedal! Our family and many of the neighbors are overjoyed at his accomplishment as they know how hard we have worked on pedaling. Cole is non verbal but now appears to enjoy riding his buddy bike even more now. We are so happy and proud for him and just want to thank you again for providing a wonderful product like the buddy bike that has allowed my son a chance to participate in an activity that only a year ago seemed impossible.

Tim - Naples, FL

..Kenny who has autism...was all grumbly when I told him we were going to get the [Buddy Bike] and ride it home (not an uncommon first reaction from him on anything new or different)...he did agree to give the whole thing a "try\*", but just once he said, (like he does when I make him taste carrots or broccoli). We got out the front door of the bike shop and...immediately everyone in the parking lot was paying attention to us...We got on the bike path and cars that were going by and walkers, joggers, other bikers were all taking notice of us on this very different bike. One guy driving by yelled out his window at us, "Hey COOL BIKE!" More importantly, Kenny said, "Sorry I was grumpy about the bike mom. THIS IS REALLY COOL."

Here is what [Kenny] said to me...while riding our Buddy Bike:

" I like riding our bike on our quiet streets when it is like this."

"Like what honey?"

"Like when it's warm out, but if you ride the bike a little bit fast it makes the wind go by and be cool out too - right on your face."

I love that the Buddy Bike is giving us these opportunities to be together, work together, play together, talk together and...that part about riding a little bit fast so that the wind goes by and makes it cool out - right on your face...it's the greatest. The Buddy Bike is doing so much more for us than just getting us around town on a bike.

Maureen - Monroe, MI

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