

We would like our child to have a Buddy Bike for social, communication and medical reasons. It is believed that the Buddy Bike would provide [child name] with incredible and numerous benefits in one product. [child name] loves bicycling, and this is a fun, safe exercise that provides him with stimulation and an opportunity to be outside in the community. Per my child's occupational therapist, he/she has very weak musculature and strength as well as low endurance during physical play. [child name] also experiences difficulties with balance and coordination caused by sensory integration problems. [child name] demonstrates difficulties with motor planning, social skills, and as aforementioned, he/she lacks verbalization and speech. [Add any other description.]

All of these challenges not only hinder [child name] from physically participating in the health benefits of riding a bike, but also impact his participation in other areas of social activity and family activity. It is anticipated that the Buddy Bike will provide [child name] with the opportunity to improve his/her core and lower extremity muscle strength. It will also help [child name] improve his endurance, respiration and stamina. The bike will assist him in improving balance, coordination and motor planning. For [child name]'s sensory issues, it will provide tactile, proprioceptive and visual stimulation, as well as improve whole body sensory awareness. It is a social activity and encourages verbal communication as well as interaction with others (i.e. the adult riding it with him). It would also help [child name] build his self-esteem and confidence.