

FRIENDS will be by your side as you explore the world! Every detail of your trip is carefully planned All-inclusive vacation packages







# CHOOSE A TRIP THAT IS PERFECT FOR YOU



FRIENDS will fill each day of your trip with sightseeing, adventure, and surprising discoveries. These opportunities will stimulate your intellectual growth, generate social interactions, and provide memories to last a lifetime. Of course, there is also plenty of time to relax and enjoy delicious cuisine from the area and the company of others. You will never need to worry about planning, logistics, transportation, accommodations, or staff support and supervision no matter where you go.

# **POPULAR TRIPS**

Chosen time and time again by travelers, these destinations come to life through chaperoned sightseeing adventures and iconic landmarks. We will make sure to appreciate the culture and sights of each destination along the way.

### **NEW TRIPS**

When our travelers ask for different places to visit or want new ways to experience world-famous landmarks, hidden treasures or natural wonders, FRIENDS will create a brand-new trip! Many new trips are included on the following pages.

### **CUSTOMIZED TRIPS**

FRIENDS staff will create the perfect custom itinerary for people who want to travel at their own pace. Customized trips will consider the traveler's interests and abilities. In addition, we will provide the necessary support to ensure a safe and enjoyable journey. Custom trips must be paid in full prior to the trip. Additional fees may apply.





# FRIENDS' MISSION

FRIENDS is dedicated to enhancing communities by creating opportunities for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities through an innovative and person-centered approach.

# PHYSICAL RATINGS

Each of our trips comes with a physical rating attached. The physical rating gives you an idea of how much physical exertion is required on a particular trip. These aren't comprehensive breakdowns, just a handy guide so you can tell if a trip is right for you. Most of our itineraries are designed for people with special needs who have an average level of fitness and mobility. Of course, our travel director will meet with you to discuss the physical requirements of the trips to help you decide which trip will be perfect for you.

These trips are a relaxing break. You don't have to worry about doing anything physically demanding unless you want to.

No physical preparation is required to make the most of the journey.

A Moderate physical activities are included. You will need to be on your feet, walking and standing, for up to three hours, indoors and outdoors in all weather conditions.

# Are Your Bags Packed?



**FULLY ACCESSIBLE** Additional fee for 1:1 assistance



### SEMI-ACCESSIBLE

Travelers who use a wheelchair must bear their own weight



### NOT ACCESSIBLE

FRIENDS trips are developed to provide an opportunity for all individuals to travel. We serve individuals who are independent, use a wheelchair, an assistive device or need additional accommodations.

January 20 to January 21 Fort Collins, CO 🖒 🌟 \$775.00

Looking for a quick get away? Look no further, we have a great trip planned to Fort Collins, CO. Just 60 miles from Broomfield, Fort Collins, or as the natives call it - FOCO, provides a great escape from the city. Our trip will be full of many things to do and see including a visit to the Fort Collins Museum of Discovery, where history meets science. We will eat lunch in Old Town Fort Collins and poke around in the unique shops while enjoying the many different sculptures and art installations. We will enjoy dinner and a play at the Candlelight Dinner Theatre to round out the first day of this getaway. After a leisurely breakfast, the group will enjoy a bowling challenge at Fort Collins Chipper Lanes before returning to Broomfield.

Deadline to register January 3rd

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Disney World has the distinction of being one of the most popular trips FRIENDS organizes. On this dream come true adventure you will enjoy the many rides and attractions at Disney's Magic Kingdom. You will also enjoy a day at Epcot Center where creativity is encouraged, imagination is celebrated, and countries are united. You will step into the spotlight as you enter Disney's Hollywood Studios and enjoy remakes of classic movies such as Indiana Jones and Star Wars. You will round out your adventure with a day at Disney's Animal Kingdom where you will get up close to many different animals on the African Safari. If you choose, you can go on the speedy and exciting roller coaster withenough "air time" to get your heart racing (don't worry, there are plenty of other rides for people who don't like roller coasters). Sign up now for this magical adventure that will be sure to create memories to last a lifetime.

### Deadline to register January 15th





March 9 to March 13 San Diego 5 + + + \$3,800.00

This trip will fill up fast as San Diego is one of America's most popular tourist destinations. This trip includes going to see the many unique animals at the San Diego Zoo – one of the best in the nation. You will also visit the USS Midway Aircraft Carrier that has been rebuilt into a museum, and then get to travel by land and water on the San Diego Seal Tour of Seaport Village and San Diego Bay. Finally, you will enjoy a splashing good time seeing all the attractions at Sea World. If you are looking for a fabulous and fun vacation this is the one for you!

Deadline to register January 12th

# April 8 to April 11 Las Vegas 🖧 🌟 🌟 \$3,500.00

Gambling isn't the only thing to do in Las Vegas! You will take in a couple of shows, eat at amazing restaurants, and do plenty of people watching. You will also get up close and personal with celebrities at the Madame Tussaud Wax Museum and see the bright lights of Vegas from up above while riding in a helicopter at dusk. There will also be time to hit the casino floor for the slot machines and the many gambling tables. Who knows, you may come home a millionaire! **Deadline to register February 8th** 







# May 16 to May 20 Seattle & + + \$3,500.00



Seattle is a beautiful city, full of things to do and see. You will be visiting the most wellknown and interesting places in Seattle, including Pike Place Market where you can try to catch a flying fish, see the Gum Wall, and a pair of size 37 shoes at the Giant Shoe Museum. You will also see buskers who will sing for you, play music, and do magic tricks. There will be time to enjoy a cup of coffee at the very first Starbucks. You will visit the Dale Chihuly Gardens and Glass Center to see bold and beautiful glass creations. The Museum of Pop Culture is also on the itinerary where you will be immersed in science fiction, fantasy, video games and see artifacts from your favorite television shows. You will also take a harbor cruise to see some of Seattle's most famous landmarks from the water including the Space Needle, the Seattle Great Wheel and stunning Mount Rainier. Seattle is also known for its rain, so make sure to pack a raincoat and umbrella! **Deadline to register March 16th** 

# June 17 to June 21 Lake Tahoe 5 + + + + \$4,200.00

Sitting on the border of California and Nevada, Lake Tahoe is a stunningly beautiful place to visit and is the largest alpine lake in North America.While Lake Tahoe is gorgeous year-round, visiting in the summer is especially wonderful, with perfect weather and many different activities. You will take a cruise on the lake aboard the MS Dixie II Paddle Wheeler Boat that offers fabulous photo opportunities, sunshine, and Lake Tahoe air. A day spent at Emerald Bay State Park will have you soaking in the natural beauty. A gentle one-mile hike to Eagle Falls will be worth the effort as you will see cascading waterfalls and large granite peaks. Spending time at Tahoe's Harrah's Casino is always fun. You can play games in the arcade or try to catch as much money as you can in the money booth. You will also enjoy music and a show under the stars at Lake Tahoe's Outdoor Arena.

Deadline to register April 13th

# July 10 to July 13 Steamboat Springs, CO 🖒 \$2,100.00

While it may seem surprising, there is no actual steamboat in Steamboat Springs. The town received its name from the "chug chug" sound that the hot springs make. You will get to hear the "chug chug" yourself when you spend time relaxing and rejuvenating at the therapeutic hot springs. After a day of exploring the best of the west in downtown Steamboat Springs, you will

attend the Steamboat Pro Rodeo where cowboys will try to stay on a bucking horse, chase steers, and ride spinning and jumping bulls. This is going to be the perfect mountain vacation.

### Deadline to register May 10th

# August 8 to August 12 Iowa State Fair 🚖 🛧 \$3,700.00

Fair Fever can only be described as a heightened state of joy and enthusiasm. It's anticipation to all the fun you will find at the 2024 Iowa State Fair! You will see all kinds of animals and agricultural displays - you will not want to miss the butter cow! You will experience mouthwatering and unusual food choices, and plenty of fun games and rides. While we do not know the exact line-up just yet, we do know that you will be singing and dancing your heart out to national headliners as we plan to go to two concerts during our visit. You will also take time to go swimming and enjoy dinner at the Lion King - a restaurant institution in Des Moines.

### **Deadline to register June 8th**

\$4.100.00



Your dreams will come true at the happiest place on earth. Join us as we see the classic attractions in Fantasy Land, Pirates of the Caribbean, and the Haunted Mansion. We will also experience new magic at the Tale of the Lion King and Mickey and Minnie's Runaway Railway. We will be sure not to miss the fireworks, music parades and Disney characters. There will also be plenty of time to ride the exciting rides, shop and dine in Disney Land. Your days and nights will be full of fun!

### Deadline to register July 23rd







# October 8 to October 12 Washington D.C. A to the second statement of the secon

See the best of everything that Washington DC has to offer – from the National Mall and museums, this trip will be a busy one and will delight every person who is interested in American government and history. You will visit the United States Capitol, the National Archives building and see the city's most famous landmarks and monuments, like the White House and the Lincoln memorial. You will also travel to the home of George Washington in Mount Vernon; the home is decorated exactly like it was when President Washington lived there. The attached museum has plenty of interactive activities to learn about George Washington's life. There is so much to see at the Smithsonian Museums that you will spend a whole day touring the National Air and Space Museum, the Smithsonian American Art Museum and the National Air and Space Museum. Washington DC is a "must see city"!

**Deadline to register August 8th** 

### November 4 to November 10

# Hawaii & 🔶 🔶

The gorgeous scenery, Aloha spirit, stunning beaches, and exciting activities are just a few of the reasons Hawaii is continually rated as one of FRIENDS top vacation destinations. Hawaii's beautiful white sandy beaches make it the perfect place to relax, unwind and disconnect from your daily routine. Feast, dance and celebrate under the nighttime sky at a Hawaiian luau. While on the island, you will visit the Pearl Harbor Memorial to learn about the courageous heroes of our past who bravely fought for our freedom. You will also take advantage of Hawaii's crystal-clear waters with a sunset dinner boat ride.

### Deadline to register September 4th









# December 4 to December 6 Gaylord of the Rockies Resort & <del>\*</del> \$1,100.00

The Gaylord Rockies Resorts transforms into the perfect getaway during its annual Holiday Fest! You will discover fun for everyone as you zoom down the snow tubing hill, walk thru the snow park, and see the amazing light show at night! You will also explore the resort on a Holiday themed scavenger hunt and embrace the winter chill by taking a dip in the heated outdoor pool and eating some-mores. This will be a fun, close-tohome getaway to get you in the holiday spirit.

**Deadline to register October 4th** 

# Early December TBD FRIENDS Annual Ski Trip 🗞 🌟 🜟 Ski Trip \$375.00 On the Town \$250.00

Join us for FRIENDS annual ski trip to Breckenridge, Colorado! You will join the other skiers bright and early for a fun ride up to Breckenridge on a Coach bus. You will enjoy a day on some of Colorado's finest ski slopes and have a one-on-one lesson with Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center's well-trained staff and volunteers. They will provide you with a personalized and custom skiing or snowboarding experience. All levels of ability are welcome! Lunch and snacks will be provided. Ski/snowboard rentals are also included.

If you are not a skier or snowboarder, you can still join the trip! FRIENDS will arrange a whole day of fun activities in Breckenridge. You will have time to explore the shops and art galleries, take a sleigh ride and enjoy lunch and the arcade at Eric's.





# Let's Make It Official



#### BOOKING

If you would like to register for a trip, please contact Jen King at (303) 404-0123 ext. 1061 or jking@friendsofbroomfield.org. Many of the trips fill up months in advance, please call to check availability. Any traveler needing accessible transportation, wheelchair rental, or additional personal care support needs should call Jen King before registering for a trip (additional fees may apply).

#### **DEPOSITS**

A deposit of \$500 must be made to reserve your space on a trip. All spaces on trips are on a first-come-first-served basis and you cannot secure your spot without a \$500 deposit.

#### **PAYMENT INCLUDES**

- 1 carry on bag
- 1 checked bag
- All meals while on the trip
- Admission to attractions
- Airfare or ground transportation
- Transportation at destination
- Gratuities, taxes, and service charges
- Staffing information, travel itinerary and packing list

You will have one year from the date of registration to pay for the remainder of the trip. Checks are our preferred method of payment. Checks must be written to FRIENDS of Broomfield and mailed to FRIENDS of Broomfield 11851 Saulsbury Street, Broomfield, CO 80020. Please note the trip destination and the individual's name on the check. Trips can be paid for online at www.friendsof broomfield.org. FRIENDS of Broomfield will send a monthly invoice as a reminder of your balance owed. Trips that have been taken need to be paid off in full before taking another trip.





## **Registration Forms**

Each individual is required to fill out a 2024 registration form, release and waiver form. The registration form can be found at www.friendsofbroomfield.org/travel. A current Medication Administration Record (MAR) must be sent prior to each trip departure. The individual's guardian is required to sign the release and waiver form.

# **CANCELLATIONS AND RESCHEDULING**

FRIENDS of Broomfield requires a minimum of five individuals in order to run any of our trips. Therefore we reserve the right to cancel a trip at any time due to a lack of enrollment. Full refunds will be made if a trip was paid for and FRIENDS of Broomfield was unable to fill the trip. Delays or rescheduling due to weather or flight cancelations are out of our hands and FRIENDS of Broomfield will not be financially responsible for the consequences of those events. For example, if the group must stay an extra night due to inclement weather on a flight cancelation, individuals will be billed the additional charges incurred by FRIENDS of Broomfield for hotel, food, staff, vehicle rental, etc.

Trip dates are subject to change based on airline availability. Individuals will be billed for any additional charges incurred for meals, lodging, staff, vehicle rental, etc.

If a trip departure is delayed due to inclement weather or delayed by the airline, the group will still travel the remainder of the days the trip is scheduled. The individual will have the choice to continue with the shortened trip or receive a partial refund.

## **TRAVELER'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

All travelers must carry a valid state-issued Real ID-Compliant Identification Card (I.D.) with a picture. REAL Compliant I.D. Cards are marked with a star on top of the card. Please check the expiration dates in order to ensure they won't expire during the trip.

FRIENDS of Broomfield is not responsible for any lost luggage by an airline or lost items by a person during any of our activities. We highly recommend that travelers do not bring anything that is of great value to them. They are 100 percent responsible for their own belongings while traveling. Due to the potential of an airline losing luggage, we require that all medications be held by the staff during the days of airline travel.







FRIENDS of Broomfield Social and Travel program believes that everyone has the right to travel, broaden your horizons, and make memories to last a lifetime. We offer affordable travel opportunities for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities that promote choice, foster independence, and further empower people.

Our Vision is to instill an appreciation for traveling and give our travelers opportunities to explore new places and develop new friendships. All trips are created around new experiences. We place an emphasis on social opportunities, culture, experiences and outdoor recreation. The trips also provide respite to caregivers and loved ones.

## **Participation** We offer three levels of participation

- **Daytime Trips**: local community-based outings
- Enhanced Weekend Trips: 1-4 day and overnight trips in Colorado
- Extended Trips: 5-9 days day trips throughout the United States
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### **Included For Each Trip**

- Skilled and experienced caregivers who have a passion for travel
- Trip leaders are certified medication administrators (QMAP)
- High staff to traveller ratios provide an interactive and social learning environment
- Safety is our top priority
- Action-packed itineraries that include activities and excursions based on the traveler's interests
- We meet each traveler before the trip to get to know them and give specific information about their trip





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# **Our Office**

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# More Information

www.friendsofbroomfield.org