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## SRNS AMP Plays Ball with Buddy Baseball

AIKEN, S.C. May 26, 2015 – Aspiring Mid-Career Professionals (AMP) from Savannah River Nuclear Solutions recently stepped up to the plate for Buddy Baseball, a volunteer league in Aiken, S.C., for special needs children.

The Aiken Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department has organized the Buddy Baseball league for six years. The season runs during the late spring and early summer months for six weeks.

“Buddy Baseball is a way for players to experience the thrill of participating, while also breaking down barriers and fostering friendships,” said Jerry Shedd, head of the Buddy Baseball Board. “We could not do it without the support of our community members.”



*AMP member and SRNS employee Matthew Biasiny and his buddy Jesse get ready to take home in the AMP Buddy Baseball game.*

AMP volunteers were assigned to help a player or “buddy,” and the 23 volunteers helped the players bat, run the bases and play the infield. During all Buddy Baseball games, no one keeps score, and each player has a chance to hit the ball and run the bases. An announcer calls out each child’s name as they step up to the plate to bat.

“This was my first year volunteering for Buddy Baseball, and I can’t wait to help out again,” said SRNS employee Matthew Biasiny. “It’s wonderful that the community has a program where these kids can come out to play baseball together and have fun. Some of my fondest memories as a child were playing baseball with my friends. This is a great program.”

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AMP is a mid-career professionals organization that serves SRNS full-time employees who have between seven and 20 years of work experience.

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