

www.BunkWurth.org

Alec "Bunk" Wurth, an Orange County native, sustained a serious spinal cord injury while playing rugby in Southern California. Bunk currently has no movement from the shoulders down. Bunk has always been there for his friends, family and others in need; he has devoted his life to teaching special needs children. Bunk's family and friends are appealing to the community to help provide moral support, prayer, and if possible financial assistance.

ABOUT BUNK

Bunk was playing in a rugby match for the Orange County Bucks on February 25, 2006. In a seemingly light tackle, he landed the wrong way and instantly dislocated the C4 and C5 vertebrae into his spine. The result was that he immediately lost all movement and sensation from the shoulders down.



Initially, Bunk was able to move his shoulders and breathe on his own; however, since the surgical repair to the vertebrae and in the weeks following the injury, bruising elevated up the spine to the C2 level, which is currently rendering him unable to breathe on his own and dependant on a ventilator. Family, friends, and especially Bunk are confident that through his hard work and determination, the unconditional



support of his family and friends, a strong faith, sincere prayers and modern medicine, Bunk will recover. Bunk has never faltered in maintaining the clear vision of his full recovery and healing. We are grateful for Bunk's courage and strength throughout this catastrophic event in his life, and ask for your continued support and prayers for him.

HOW CAN I HELP?

Pray. Please pray for a speedy and thorough recovery for Bunk. At this point we are asking for specific prayers for Bunk's ability to breathe on his own, without a respirator.

Visit. Please lend moral support by visiting www.BunkWurth.org to check Bunk's status, leave a note for Bunk on the Guestbook, and sign up to visit Bunk at Craig Hospital in Denver. Please get the word out to your friends and family about this site.

Donate. The costs associated with caring for Bunk are mounting. Many of Bunk's family and friends have asked how they can help. We have set up a **special needs trust** in his name to cover ongoing medical and rehabilitation costs that are not covered by insurance.

Donations to Bunk's cause are being handled by **Try for Others**, a non-profit organization that has agreed to help. Try for Others has 501(c)(3) status, so donations are tax deductible.

TO MAKE A DONATION

Please visit the "How to Help" page of Bunk's website: www.BunkWurth.org/howtohelp. From there you can find instructions for donating to Bunk through Try for Others. Or send a check directly to Try for Others Foundation at 2417 27th Street, Sacramento, CA 95818. Please make checks payable to "Try for Others Foundation / Bunk Wurth".

Through this tragedy we have seen how this community really comes together to help others. We urge you to help Bunk in his time of need through your prayers, support and donations!

THE COST OF CARE

The lifetime health care costs and living expenses to care for someone in Bunk's condition is estimated to be about **\$2.5 - \$3 million**. The first year's expenses alone may reach over \$750,000, a small part of which will be covered by insurance. This figure does NOT include the renovations that will be necessary to make Bunk's family's home accessible to him. Through the generosity of Bunk's friends and family, we have raised over \$60,000 so far. But this is just the beginning...

YOUR HELP IS GREATLY NEEDED AND APPRECIATED!

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