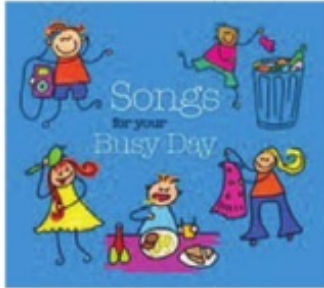


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Songs For a Busy Day and a Good Cause

For kids on the autism spectrum, even an average day can be a challenge. So why not add a soundtrack to help it slide by more smoothly?

That's just what moms Michele Purcell – who has two young sons on the autism spectrum – and Barbara Fine Buxbaum decided to do. The result is *Songs For Your Busy Day* (\$9.99; musicbymommies.com), a sweet CD that starts with a “Get Up” tune, and doesn't quit until it's time to “Sleep.” In between, practical-but-fun tracks like “We're Going” and “Brush Your Teeth” mean the kids won't miss a beat.

Buy before Jan. 1 and the duo will donate 10% of their net proceeds to Autism Speaks, an organization dedicated to funding autism research.

– Christina Elston