

Get help with just your voice and Microsoft's Cortana

Boca Raton FL - May 10, 2017 - Ask My Buddy, Personal Alert Network, a leading skill on Amazon's Alexa & Google's Home voice platforms, today announced that this important service is now available on Microsoft's Cortana voice platform. Ask My Buddy provides a voice controlled and hands-free way to send a 'check on me' Alert message by SMS, Voice call, and Email to their own Personal Alert Network.

Microsoft unveiled Cortana Skills at their annual //build 2017 developers conference Wednesday, May 10, 2017. "We are very excited to be part of Microsoft's new skills for Cortana," said co-founder Pat Coggins, "The Cortana platform gives millions of users the ability to access Ask My Buddy when needed, by just speaking. This is a big step forward for accessibility, regardless of someone's physical ability."

The Ask My Buddy skill is available to all users who have a device with Microsoft Cortana, which is available on personal computers with Windows 10, as an application for Android and iOS devices, and the upcoming Harman/Kardon Invoke speaker.

The Cortana version will offer some enhancements with this release as well. Now you can ask for a list of your contacts, and if we are unable to match the requested contact name after 2 attempts, we will speak the list of names automatically, including a prompt of how to say the alert. For those who contribute to Ask My Buddy, there are 2 new additional 'Thank you' features, Check-In messages, and Test messages. Original features include 5 additional contacts (totaling 10), Alert my cell phone (find My Cell phone), and Multiple language alerts.

About AskMyBuddy.net

Ask My Buddy, Personal Alert Network is not a substitute for 911, but rather an additional tool offering the security of knowing help is just a shout away. 'Alexa, Ask My Buddy to Send Help' Ask My Buddy sends a 'Please check on me' Alert message by SMS, Voice call, and Email to any or all of your contacts in your Personal Alert Network.

Ask My Buddy first released on Amazon's Alexa platform November 2015, and has one of the highest customer ratings among more than 10,000 skills. The skill is also available on Google's Home assistant device, and Microsoft's Cortana voice service.

Ask My Buddy is free for anyone to use, regardless of their ability to pay, and is community sponsored via a 'Pay What You Can' model. If you wish to provide support you may contribute from your account settings page on www.askmybuddy.net or through [PayPal.me/AskMyBuddy](https://www.paypal.me/AskMyBuddy) Looking for a social mission? Ask us how we can help you meet your goals.

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