



WARM KIDS

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Dear Friends of Warm Kids,

Greetings to you from Warm Kids! We thank you for your past financial support and hope that we can count on your support this year. We're grateful that for 22 years individuals and groups have rallied to raise funds for the Warm Kids Project. There are good reasons to do so - you want to support a local non-profit that gets more of your money to those in need and you like the fact that your money is used to purchase clothing at wholesale from local businesses. Most important, your contributions help provide over 800 coats and 600 pair of boots each year to children in your neighborhood schools.

We would like you to know what a difference your contribution makes to those who receive clothing from Warm Kids. Thanks to you, we can continue to provide warm coats and boots that mean so much to children and their families. Here are samples of some of the notes we received last year:

"We are so grateful for the warm outerwear received by my granddaughter. It has been a very challenging year financially and emotionally...she loves her new outfit. It is even pink, her favorite color. Thanks again and God bless."

"The coats our boys received were wonderful!! We have not had the blessing of having brand new coats as we usually get them from Goodwill. My oldest was thrilled that his was brand new. Thank you for your overwhelming generosity!"

"Dear Warm Kids Project, I love the coat and boots and everything else!! Thank you so much!"

Sincerely, T" (eight years old)

"(Our elementary) School ...would like to thank you for the coats and boots...It was a joy seeing the smiles when the children received their cold weather gear. Thank you for your work and labor of love for our children this school year." Principal

"I saw the (Warm Kids) story in the Kalamazoo Gazette. It's a wonderful initiative. Thank you for making this possible."

We appreciate your tax-deductible donation in any amount as the demand for winter clothing has continued to grow. Schools depend on us and are grateful, because without proper clothing, children may stay home from school when bad weather comes. We are still able to clothe one child in a top quality winter coat and boots for \$45. So with your donation you can be confident that you are helping to make happier, healthier, warmer kids!

Sincerely,

Leslie Lami-Reed and the Warm Kids Volunteers

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