



A local, all-volunteer, non-profit organization investing in Kalamazoo area communities by providing new winter clothing to children in need.

RESPONDING TO COVID 19 PANDEMIC CHALLENGES

The Board of Warm Kids Project hopes you, your family and friends are doing well during these unprecedented times. At the time of this writing, plans for the 2020–21 school year are unknown. Even so, Warm Kids Project stands ready to MATCH OR EXCEED our 2019 volume of new winter coats, boots, hats and gloves come November 2020. We anticipate HIGHER NEED FOR WINTER CLOTHING due to a depressed economy, job loss, and homelessness.

YOUR \$ HELPS KIDS!

Over 95% of \$ spent in 2019 was used to purchase clothing! We're all volunteer and laser focused on spending wisely!



Help us keep children warm and safe. Donate NOW so Warm Kids Project can take advantage of early sales. Send a check or give online at www.warmkids.org Thank you!

In 2019 we served:

- 44** schools
- 15** Head Start sites
- 2** preschools
- 5** agencies



These local sites received:

1219 COATS and **1088 PAIRS of BOOTS** for elementary and preschool children.

Detail of our \$51,199.78 expenditures are in the **2019 Community Impact and Financial Report** available on our web site: www.warmkids.org *(By the Numbers)*



Responding to need

After a survey of sites, WKP increased boots given in 2019 by 100 pairs. Boots are our most expensive item. We buy quality boots at discount from Little Chick Shoes, Dunham Sports, Meijer, and Walmart.

Coat ordering online

More of our coat shopping is now done online due to quantities needed and limited supplies in stores. We get great discounts, great quality and our purchases are tax-exempt. Thanks to Macy's, JC Penney and our local Meijers and Walmarts.

2019 Distribution

Orders were boxed in one day by volunteers from Kalamazoo Area Retired School Personnel, Alpha Delta Kappa, Beyond Ourselves, Eaton Corp. Cummins JV, Eaton Filtration Dept. and other individuals.



Thanks to businesses and organizations that provided funds or services in 2019:

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Woods Lake Elementary PTO; KPS
Haverhill Elementary PTO; Portage
Cooper Elementary Parents Club; Plainwell



November 2020 distribution will need to be different, with social distancing and volunteer safety a top priority.

Knitting with Love

Thank you to the hand-knitters who donated over 500 hats this year! WOW! Sandy Dundore has knitted for Warm Kids for 30+ years. Georgia Lindt has shipped hundreds of hats from Colorado! Ann Girton contributes dozens of hats with charming buttons and matching scarves, and Donnis Young's "Loomer's Club" sent 30 hats from Masonic Village in Pennsylvania.



Donate online at
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