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ORGANIZATIONAL NEWS

We are pleased to announce that Alice's Kids just received the Platinum Seal of Transparency from the non-profit rating company, Guidestar.

As of March 31, we have spent approximately \$180,000 on children. That puts us on a pace that will eclipse last year's spending. In March alone, we spent \$88,000 which, when projected over the year, would put us at spending about \$1 million on kids.

We are all thinking of our President, Laura Fitzsimmons Peters, who is undergoing a rough recovery after hip replacement surgery.

KUDOS FROM OUR SUPPORTERS

"As a rural school principal in a high-poverty district, our needs are great. Alice's Kids is the fairy godmother that has helped connect kids with the items they need. Thank you for filling the void."

"Thank you again for providing Aaliyah and her family a way to purchase new glasses! She loves them - her teacher is grateful as well knowing Aaliyah does not have to struggle seeing classwork on the board. Her family said the process for getting her glasses was very easy to understand plus she had a lot of selection at Walmart. Alice's Kids is a fantastic program!"

"I recently received a NIKE gift card for a family of three. I have noticed that the students all participate more in school, and I can see them smiling more in the hallway. The first day of wearing the sneakers, one of the kids walked up to the counselor to show off her shoes and you could see the joy on the student's face. Upon speaking with the student's respective teachers, all have been doing much better behaviorally and are all socially engaged at this time. "

"This week I received a \$50 gift card to purchase some bedding for one of our students. She is very shy with low self-esteem. I purchased her a "bed in a bag" and some new pillows and when I gave them to her, her face lit up! And it led to the first full conversation we have had all year. She was so chatty! This morning I asked her if she was able to get her bed set up yesterday with her new things. A huge smile came over her face and she said Yes! And that she slept so well last night! It made my heart happy. "

"After my student got her new clothes, I noticed an increase in her focus on her work and her confidence does seem improved.

During the first and second 9 weeks, Teja was absent 12.5 and 14 days

respectively (from that semester only 5 days were excused). We just ended the third 9 weeks and she was absent only 4 days, two of which were excused. Both unexcused absences occurred before the clothing was given. Additionally, she had accumulated over 12 tardies in the first semester. These last nine weeks she was only tardy once.

I don't think that these numbers are a coincidence. I think they are the direct result of a student that feels better about coming to school. "

ALICE'S KIDS

Alice's Kids is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that seeks to enhance the self-esteem of children in need by providing them with targeted individual assistance to facilitate their participation in scholastic, recreational and social activities.

