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The Giving Tree

Teaching Children About Charity

The Giving Tree is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization with the mission of the charitable education of children. We invite schools, families, teams and groups to join our mission and work toward empowering children to be leaders and to give back at any age.

Project of the Month

Empty Cereal Box Collection

This month's project is simple... but has the power to impact many! As you may know, The Giving Tree sponsors a very special project called a Peace & Smiles Box[®]. This project starts with an empty cereal box, which is then filled with fun craft supplies. The box is wrapped and decorated by our Giving Tree kids and then delivered to kids in various unfortunate situations. To date... we have delivered over 4,100 boxes!! Now that's a lot of cereal! Help us by collecting empty boxes. Collect from friends, neighbors and family. Help us recycle these boxes in a very special kind of way!

Helping Hands 2016

Saturday March 5th local area youth gathered at the Wissahickon Middle School for Helping Hands 2016. The event provided many different projects for kids to assemble benefitting thousands of individuals from various non-profits. The projects will be delivered by Giving Tree volunteers, over the next couple of weeks to organizations in the tri-state area. [Click here for the results of the day!](#)

Thank you to everyone who participated by attending, making donations and volunteering their time. Literally thousands of lives were touched by the successes of the day. And it happened because of each of you!

#kidscangiveback



Owen Quinn, of Blue Bell, assembled and delivered 'Morning Munchie Bags' for individuals at Coordinated Homeless Outreach Center in Norristown.

The Fifth Grade Students of Pine Run Elementary spent an evening at a recent school event putting together Peace & Smiles Boxes[®] for underprivileged kids.



Great job everyone! #kidscangiveback!





Take Your Children To Work Day

Thursday, April 28 is "Take Your Daughters & Sons to Work Day". Millions of Americans will take their children to work that day for them to get a taste of 'the workplace'. Talk to your company coordinator about the possibility of adding a community service piece to the day. Nothing empowers today's youth more than showing them how they can make a difference in this world!

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for adult volunteers to assist in planning events or fundraising efforts. We have many great ideas but need some help in making it all happen. Contact us at info@givingtreefamilies.org.



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"No act of kindness, no matter how small is ever wasted."

- Aesop

Kindness in Action

Ambassadors Learn About Transitional Housing

Lauren Kormanick, a representative from Interfaith Housing, spoke to our Ambassador Members at a recent club meeting. Teen ambassador Connor Derrah commented "I was unaware of how much the organization does for the homeless people in close proximity to where I live. When Lauren explained what they go through on a daily basis, I was able to comprehend how much support they provide." Bags of Sunshine, which included much needed pantry supplies, were organized and prepped by the group. The project was completed at Helping Hands 2016. The bags were delivered to individuals from Interfaith Housing as well as others in transitional housing situations.



Help us Grow

The Giving Tree started in 2009 and we are always working to extend our branches. We ask for your help with spreading the word of The Giving Tree. Share this newsletter, like and share a Facebook post... follow us on Instagram... or re-tweet a tweet.

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