

Unboxed

SPRING 2025 News

*We empower kids with seasonal wardrobes
packed with love and compassion.*

LETTER FROM OUR FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

As we welcome Spring, I've been reflecting on the steady strength behind Boxes of Basics — our dedicated volunteers. Whether it's sorting clothes, packing boxes, making deliveries, or lending a hand at events, your support plays a vital role in helping children in our community feel confident and cared for.

At Boxes of Basics, we *activate the community to benefit the community*. That mission is at the heart of everything we do — and this year alone, our volunteers have already contributed over 1,200 hours of their time. Every hour given has helped us serve more children with dignity and compassion.

We know the impact of a carefully packed box goes beyond the clothes inside. It's a message to a child that someone cares. And that message starts with you.

Thank you for being part of this work and this community. We're grateful to have you with us, and I look forward to all we'll continue to do together in the months ahead.



Sincerely,

Sarah Tyndall
Founder and Executive Director
Boxes of Basics

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MAY 20

Shift Lead/ Neighborhood
Captain Appreciation Event

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**MAY 24**

Table at Manassas Farmer's  
Market

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JUNE 12

PWC Last Day of School

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**JUNE 28**

Table at Manassas Farmer's  
Market

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AUGUST 19

PWC Schools First Day

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**AUGUST 30**

Table at Manassas Farmer's  
Market

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Charity  
Classic Pickleball  
Tournament  
Saturday,  
September 6**

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**2nd Annual Charity
Classic Golf
Tournament
Monday,
September 8**



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☀ Make your company a part of the fun! Join us as a sponsor and invite your staff, clients, and partners. Our 'Summer Charity Classic' event offers various sponsorship opportunities!

2025 BY THE NUMBERS

629
BOXES

583
VOLUNTEERS

1,349+
HOURS

100+
PARTNERS

75+
SCHOOLS

50+
HOURS

THANK YOU SILVER VOLUNTEERS!

Maureen Balderston ♥

Diane Church ♥

Priscilla Priestman ♥

Mary Shatzer ♥

25+
HOURS

THANK YOU BRONZE VOLUNTEERS!

Vern Anstee ♥

Marilyn Dickman ♥

Valerie Dingler ♥

Karen Grinnon ♥

Connie Johnson ♥

Kayla Lyle ♥

Diane Melton ♥

Meghan Mitchell ♥

Marian Patey ♥

Tracy Volz ♥

Kerry White ♥



VOLUNTEERS

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MEET THE BOARD

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Tara Conroy, Board President Tara is the Director of Customer Success for the National Security Group at Microsoft and has a passion for empowering kids. She loves to hike and travel with her husband, Will, and their daughters, Grace & Sydney.



Kendall Worrilow, Board Secretary With a background in Anthropology and HR, along with her experience as a dedicated stay-at-home mom, Kendall brings a wonderful blend of organizational skills, passion for community service, and dedication to BOB.



Patrick Wright, Board Treasurer As the CEO of P.A.L. Cleaning Services, Patrick brings valuable leadership & financial expertise to our organization. His commitment to our mission helps ensure that children in need receive quality clothing.



Susie Bonner is passionate about providing children with the dignity of a seasonal wardrobe. A nonprofit executive and proud Prince William County native, she is dedicated to giving back to the community that shaped her.



Diane Church has been with Boxes of Basics since day one. As our Referral Coordinator, she ensures every child's need is met with care and accuracy — all while continuing her lifelong mission to serve children in the community.



Joel Espallat A seasoned technology professional and first-generation immigrant, Joel experienced clothing insecurity as a child — and now brings his passion, expertise, and heart to help Boxes of Basics serve even more kids.



Hannah Grewe, our very first Board President, is a proud Prince William Co. resident, dedicated realtor, and mom. Whether she's helping families find their perfect home or supporting local children in need, Hanna is committed to making a positive impact.



Missy King is a nonprofit pro with a heart for our mission. Missy brings personal passion and over 15 years of experience to Boxes of Basics. Born and raised in Fauquier County, her lived experience & leadership are a powerful addition to our team.,



Ryan Walker, of Paravel Insights, has a passion for fundraising which he has used to help local organizations big and small over the last decade. In his free time, Ryan enjoys spending time with his wife, son and 2 dogs.



Tony Wilson, of MG Moving Services, has over a decade of experience bringing custom solutions to eliminate the stress of the moving process. As a father of 2 (11 and 2), he enjoys time and adventures with his children.

“ I noticed that his shoes were falling apart and that his clothing was very worn and had some holes in it. His mother shared that he has been unable to purchase new winter clothes.”

I have a family that has recently been displaced to a domestic violence shelter. Mom mentioned that her 9-year-old son desperately needs shoes and socks.

Family was homeless and mom just passed away. Dad is in jail and the children came to their paternal grandmother with just the clothes on their backs.

I am requesting a box for a student who has been in transitional housing for three years. Finances are difficult and she recently told me she was having embarrassment at school because her peers have noticed she only has two pairs of pants and cannot afford to buy any more.

The children recently arrived from Afghanistan and are in need of clothing.


This student has had to reside with her 26-year-old aunt who is currently taking care of her and her sibling because their mother is not able to take care of them because of drug addiction.

“ When one of my students did not show up on the first day of school, I was worried. I soon discovered my student and her brother weren't able to attend because they didn't have any clothes that fit.

I am requesting a BOB” for a boy, age 8. Today he was wearing baby socks and was getting blisters from his too-small shoes.

These are just a few of the stories of the families we help as told by our referring partners.

THANK YOU, GEMS! SPRING 2025 News

Boxes of Basics  GEMs Give Every Month! They make it possible for us to plan, budget and make the best decisions based on our available resources. Our GEMs are the backbone of everything we do at Boxes of Basics. □□□

 Lynne Adams
 Patricia Albrite
 Monica Alves
 Jane Amesse
 Deborah Avis
 Kate Balderston
 Matt & Julie Balderston
 Michael Balderston
 Maureen & Philip Balderston
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 Megan Bekkedahl
 Lori Biller
 Tracy Blanchard
 Deborah & David Bodsford
 Susan Bonner
 Maureen Brady
 Sherri & Kevin Brennan
 Jeffrey Buck
 Mandi Brown
 Roxana Brown
 Betsy Burkart
 Julie Burke
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 Danica Copp
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 Mary Jo Miller
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 Jacqueline Reese
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 Anna Marie Robinson
 Theresa Roozen
 Paul & Brenda Sellers
 Ed Setliff
 Adelle Settle
 Mary Shatzer
 Olivia Shultz
 Bradley Staton
 Linda Tabourn
 April Thomas
 Harmony Thomas
 Karen Thomas
 Dinah J Thompson
 Deb & Greg Trnka
 Harvey Tyndall
 Daniel Valentine
 Patricia Valle
 Amy Verner
 Misty White
 Michelle Witt
 Kendall & Justin Worrilow
 Carol Zepko

DONATION DROP OFF LOCATIONS

FAIRFAX

Patner Construction, Inc.

2710 Prosperity Ave, Suite 120
Fairfax, VA 22031



GAINESVILLE

Swim Kids Gainesville

13555 Wellington Center Cr.
Unit 109
Gainesville, VA 20155



HAYMARKET

Bombshell Beauty Lounge

5381 Merchants View Square
Haymarket, VA 20169

Edward Jones, Deborah Trnka

5300 Merchants View Square
Suite 100
Haymarket VA 20169

Haymarket Police Department

15000 Washington Street,
Suite 110
Haymarket, VA 20169

RXR3 Recovery Lounge

6441 James Madison Highway
Haymarket VA 20169



MANASSAS

Boxes of Basics

9239 Mike Garcia Drive
Manassas, VA 20109

Fillagreen

9029 Center St
Manassas, Virginia 20110

The Flower Gallery of Manassas

10816 Sudley Manor Drive
Manassas, VA 20109

Potomac River Orthodontics

12701 Galveston Ct,
Manassas VA 20112

Visiting Angels, Prince William

9161 Liberia Ave
Ste 205
Manassas VA 20110



WARRENTON

Studio Luxe

92 Main Street, Ste. 102
Warrenton, VA 20186



WOODBIDGE

Ohana Services

1549 Old Bridge Rd
Woodbridge, VA 22192

Swim Kids Woodbridge

14531 Potomac Mills Rd
Woodbridge, VA 22192



LAKE RIDGE

Pediatric Achievements

2239 Tackett's Mill Drive
Suite K
Woodbridge, VA 22192



***Huge thanks to the generous
businesses who support
Boxes of Basics by accepting
donations year-round! We
couldn't do it without you!***

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Ways to Give!



VOLUNTEER Sort clothes or pack a box for a local child in need.



DONATE Every penny counts, so please give generously!



HOST A CLOTHING DRIVE! We have all the tools you'll need.



SHOP OUR AMAZON WISHLIST Includes our most urgent needs.



HELP US SPREAD THE WORD! Follow, share, comment, and like!