



Unboxed

Summer 2023 News

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

NOTE FROM OUR FOUNDER

Phew! We made it through the 2022-2023 school year and, once again, packed a record-setting number of boxes for kids in need--734 to be exact. We held our first-ever volunteer appreciation event at Great Mane Brewery; it was an amazing day filled with the people who make Boxes of Basics work. Check out the pictures throughout the newsletter.

We rolled out our new corporate sponsorship program with great success. Huge thanks to our Silver Sponsor, 66 Express Outside the Beltway, our Bronze Sponsor, Floor Advisor, and our Supporter Sponsor, Northwest Federal Credit Union, for their partnership. Please take a minute to recognize and support these local community leaders!

I am excited to see what the future holds for Boxes of Basics. We continue to grow and, with growth, we are able to help more local children. Remember, we follow the Prince William County School calendar, so the house is closed for the summer, but we can't wait to see you again in the fall.

*With Gratitude,
Sarah Tyndall, Founder and Executive Director*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

JULY 12
OLD TOWN STRONG
HAPPY HOUR EVENT
HOG SHACK

AUGUST 16
OLD TOWN STRONG
HAPPY HOUR EVENT
PHILLY TAVERN

AUGUST 21
HOUSE OPENS UP FOR
THE 2023-2024
SCHOOL YEAR



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2023 BY THE NUMBERS

734
BOXES

288
VOLUNTEERS

1,949
HOURS

60+
PARTNERS

41
SCHOOLS



OUR WHY

The family recently fled to the United States without much clothing or belongings.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT:

There are many volunteers at Boxes of Basics who come together face-to-face to pack & sort boxes at the house, but there are many behind-the-scene volunteers whom we couldn't do without. Let's meet three of them!

Chris Turek, of GreenbergTraurig, LLP, is a corporate/M&A lawyer. His practice focuses on private equity transactions, representing buyers and sellers of businesses. Since April 2020, Chris has been the outside counsel for Boxes of Basics. We are so grateful and appreciative of Chris' time. When not hard at work, he likes to travel and experience new things, including new restaurants and cocktails/wine & beer. www.gtlaw.com

Candee Roth, who runs her own accounting firm, got involved with Boxes of Basics when it was running out of Sarah's basement and her Girl Scout troop was looking to earn some community hours. Her experience with the troop came full circle after they hosted a clothing drive and helped organize the new house, and Candee continues to pay it forward by assisting with the bookkeeping needs at Boxes of Basics. Candee loves spending time with her family and doing things for others. In her words, "I used to be one of those kids who didn't have clean clothes that fit so it means even more to me to be a part of this organization to provide something that was not provided to me." www.gadfly.com/ledgers

After volunteering in the Boxes of Basics house one day, **Heather Bianchi** knew that she wanted to do more. A full-time graphic designer, she started working with Sarah on creating our logo. "I loved how Sarah wished for each child to feel like they are receiving a gift when their box arrives. It was so important to me to have the logo accurately represent Boxes of Basics — a local nonprofit where caring, thoughtful people come together to provide the gift of a seasonal wardrobe to kids in need. It was important to Sarah that the logo convey happiness and positivity; I think we achieved that." Since then, Heather has graciously created many items including brochures, notecards, invitations and more! Heather loves being a full-time freelance graphic designer as it allows her to work with a variety of people and organizations. When not working, you can find Heather spending time with her family & friends, traveling, baking or being a cheerleader at her kids sporting events. www.studiohbd.com



**100S OF SHOES FROM
THE MILITARY SPOUSE
KICKBALL
ASSOCIATION**



THANK YOU BRONZE VOLUNTEERS!

Mary Shatzer
Julie Brill
Michael Harvey
Akif Hossain
Sonya Tamayo
Peggy Howell-Jones
Lois Jones
Hilary Anderson

25
HOURS

THANK YOU SILVER VOLUNTEERS!

Marilyn Dickman
Marian Patey
Maureen Balderson
Ashley Rodman

50
HOURS

THANK YOU GOLD VOLUNTEERS!

Suzanne
Galloway
Diane Church

100
HOURS



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DROP OFF LOCATIONS



HAYMARKET
Haymarket Police Department Lobby
 15000 Washington Street, Suite 110
 Haymarket, VA 20169
<https://www.townofhaymarket.org/>
 7 Days A Week, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.



WOODBIDGE
Prince William Association of REALTORS
 4545 Daisy Reid Ave, Suite 150
 Woodbridge, VA 22192
www.pwar.com
 M-F 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.



GAINESVILLE
Gainesville Pharmacy
 7963 Heritage Village Plaza
 Gainesville, VA 20155
www.gainessvillerx.com
 M-F 9 a.m. -6 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.



BRISTOW
Teachables Educational Supply Store
 10302 Bristow Center Drive
 Bristow, VA 20136
www.teachablesnova.com
 M-F 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sat 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.



This child has significant medical needs that cause him to fall frequently. He has growth delays and is very small for his age. The parent is struggling financially and barely makes ends meet.

ARE YOU READY TO HOST A DONATION DRIVE?

Know a great place to collect items? Consider hosting a donation drive.

Download the Donation Toolkit Today!



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Ways to Give!



VOLUNTEER

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



DONATE

Every penny counts!



HOST A CLOTHING DRIVE!

We have tools to help you collect clothing.



SHOP OUR AMAZON WISHLIST

Includes our urgent needs.



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

LEARN MORE ABOUT BOXES OF BASICS

Invite Sarah to speak at your next event; she loves to speak to clubs, groups, and businesses about what we do! Email info@boxesofbasics.org for more information!