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Boxes of Basics and Van Metre Partner to Pack 100 Boxes for Local Children in Need

Manassas, VA — [November 10, 2025] — Boxes of Basics is thrilled to announce a special partnership with Van Metre Companies Foundation to bring hope and comfort to children in our community this holiday season.

On Friday, December 5, 2025 Boxes of Basics and Van Metre team members will come together to pack an unprecedented 100 Boxes of Basics in one day — each box filled with a seasonal wardrobe including school and play outfits, new shoes, socks, underwear, pajamas, a winter coat and essentials for local children in need.

The event will feature two volunteer shifts of 25 Van Metre employees each, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., with a shared lunch in between. This incredible day of service is made possible through Van Metre's generous $20,000 contribution, which will underwrite the cost of the 100 boxes and directly support the Boxes of Basics program.

"This event truly embodies partnership," said Sarah Tyndall, Executive Director of Boxes of Basics. "Van Metre is giving back to the communities where they live and work — not only through their time and volunteerism but through a financial investment that helps sustain our program and deepen our impact."

Van Metre shared their enthusiasm for the collaboration, emphasizing the importance of community engagement:

"It's so important for our team to make a positive impact in the communities where we build," said Courtney Alford, VP of Acquisitions& Business Development, Investment Properties. "Boxes of Basics is a perfect example of a partner making a real difference in the lives of local children — a tangible way for our employees to be part of something meaningful. We also understand the funding needed to run a program like this, and we're proud to contribute financially to help Boxes of Basics continue its incredible work."

Through partnerships like this, Boxes of Basics continues its mission to provide children in need with clothing that brings comfort, confidence, and dignity. The organization is on track to distribute more than 2,500 Boxes of Basics in 2025 — each one a gift of kindness from the community.

About Boxes of Basics

Boxes of Basics is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides local children in need with seasonal wardrobes packed with love and care. Each box contains a season's worth of mix-and-match outfits, new shoes, socks, underwear, books, and toiletries — offering children the confidence that comes from having clothing that fits and feels good.

About Van Metre Companies

Van Metre Companies is one of the largest privately owned homebuilding, development, and management firms in Northern Virginia. With a commitment to excellence and community, Van Metre believes in giving back to the neighborhoods where its employees live and work.