



the encouragement project

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A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Thank you for the fantastic response and donations for Giving Tuesday!

We are so grateful for each gift and for each donor — both those who have given before and those who gave for the first time.

It is always exciting to see how God provides for the needs of this organization.

As we look around the corner to the New Year, we anticipate being able to help so many more because of your generosity in this giving season.

If you didn't make it to give on Tuesday, it's not too late — we're still accepting donations!

~ Stephanie



He has told you, O man,
what is good;
and what does
the LORD require of you
but to do justice,
and to love kindness, and
to walk humbly
with your God?

Micah 6:8

NEW LOGO FOR "BEARS AND FRIENDS"

A few months ago, I started working with a young artist friend to develop a logo for our Bears and Friends effort. The above watercolor is the beautiful result!! Alana's talents are incredible, and her patience seemingly endless as we worked through the process. This logo is already being used on the tag that is attached to each of the stuffies now being delivered!

GROWING

It's exciting to let you know that we have added to our Georgia county count! TEP has been able to help and encourage those in need in an additional 11 counties across the northern half of the state this year. That brings our Georgia county total to 37! We have also been able to fill some new requests from Tennessee, and are grateful for the growth and means to share help in all these places.

HAVE ITEMS TO

donate?

Check out the "donate" page on our website for current items needed.

We would love to help get your extra things to people in need.



DONATIONS IN

While we certainly haven't been able to keep up, the items coming in the door this month have been at a steady stream:

- children's books
- stuffies
- scrapbook paper/tools
- handmade items (hats, scarves, blankets, mittens, bibs, bags)
- etc.

We have also been able to take some of the funds that have been donated for specific projects and scour local stores to find more of these needed things to share.

As always, the more TEP receives, the more people we can help. And that's always encouraging!



TEP VOLUNTEERS

At the end of October, a partner church held a day of service. As part of that, they sent four wonderful volunteers out to help process through children's books. It was such a joy to have them, and their help was superb!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP?

If you have the time and desire to lend a hand with any of TEP's projects, but don't quite know where to start, just send us a message! We'd love to help you find an outlet for your talents!

If making something, knitting/crocheting or sewing aren't in your skill set, there are many other things that need doing that you are always welcome to help with!



DONATIONS OUT

We are always aware that we could not give things out that have not been given to us by you and others who hear about the efforts of TEP.

I am grateful to report that because of your generosity, we have been able to fill the requests of those on our waiting list this past month.

And, the connections we are making with those who distribute so many of these things directly to the people in need are growing both in number and depth. How exciting!

