

# THANK YOU For Christmas 2016

100%

of your donated money was used for children and families we serve

Strive for the things that bring peace and the things that build each other up.

ROMANS 14:19

400+

Children and families received gifts for the holidays because of your generosity

## SAMPLE WISHES OF OUR YOUTH

- GUITAR
- HARRY POTTER BOOKS
- MP3 PLAYER
- BODY WASH
- DVD PLAYER
- WII GAMES
- JEWELRY MAKING KIT
- RAVENS HOODIE



20 Families

selected Christmas gifts from the Christmas Store and received grocery gift cards.

100 Family Members

attended the 1st Annual Family Christmas Dinner.

## A Story from our Outpatient Mental Health Clinic

All year long, one client, we'll call him Stephen, had been asking his OMHC therapist for a basketball.

Why? His therapist explained, "We had been working on the importance of exploring activities outside of television, getting him outdoors, being active, staying fit and Stephen always said, 'I don't have those things,' when asked about sports equipment."

**Thanks to you, Stephen received a basketball for Christmas.**

When he saw that he got his basketball, Stephen was ecstatic. His guardian was even able to put up a net they got for free in their backyard so he could practice. Stephen and his sister (also a client) spent time looking for Christmas gifts for each other—which was very nice because it speaks to the progress they have made in family therapy.





**42** Church and community groups donated gifts

**650** Individually wrapped gifts



Celebrating with families



**8**

Christmas Celebrations



**5,525** Envelopes Mailed to **42** Churches



**10,555 Red Stockings**

Mailed to **164** Churches



**1,000+** crafts sold in youth-organized market



Each cottage or house received large gifts to share  
"The cottage gifts have proven to be a real unifying element as the youth are demonstrating a sense of shared responsibility and ownership as well as protective behaviors" stated Ms. Patricia Andrews, West Virginia Clinical Home Manager



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