

# Andre's Angels

## Facts about Andre's Angels

- Andre's Angels started in 2004 due to a growing numbers of requests received from struggling families.
- This programs utilizes email to communicate quickly with potential donors about a families specific need.
- Thanks to our donors, Andre's Angels have helped supply over \$1,500 worth of products and services to needy families.
- Currently there are over 50 possible donors on our email list.
- All donors get a personal thank you letter from the Andre' Bosse Center and the family in need.

The Andre's Angels program works to provide families in need with necessities such as winter coats and boots, bedding, car seats and many other items that can cause financial stress on struggling families.

The Andre' Bosse Center works with community partners to identify families and their needs. We then find donors from the community who volunteers to purchase the items for the family in need.

## An Andre's Angel Story

**A 13-year old boy is physically assaulted by his mother's boyfriend.**

**He discloses the abuse to his mother, she chooses boyfriend over her son. The boy goes to live with his father.**

While the father met with the boy's Child Advocate he mentioned that his son was having trouble at school. Talking with the boy, the Advocate learned that some of the kids were teasing him because his clothes were to small and very worn. The Advocate had been working with the boy on issues of self-esteem and felt that this was a true concern and turned to the Andre's Angel Program for help. She compiled a list of basic needs and sizes.

Due to the fact that the Program Coordinator's computer was broken; the center was unable to distribute an email request to it's list of potential donors. School was starting soon; the Advocate voiced her concern on how to get the boy new clothes so he could start the first day of school with his head held high. Another employee at the Andre' Bosse Center decided to take action, she sent out an email to her personal email list. Within 30 minutes she had \$75 dollars promised and a local realty company that was passing around the hat. Then a women donated a huge bag of nearly new designer clothes that no longer fit her son. After all was said and done the boy received a new school wardrobe and

his **first** pair of Nike tennis shoes. The employee who emailed out his request was there when the boy received his new clothes. "You could tell it was like no Christmas morning he had ever seen before. To see a 13-year old boy that excited about clothes... it was awesome. I am so glad we could help."

Dear Angel-  
Thank you for the school clothes.  
The clothes are nice and I really  
like the my new shoes. Because  
they are Nikes.

Thank you-  
(13-year old boy)