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world vision,

Chicago?

Gifts In Kind

Top-Quality Products and Materials

A New Toothbrush

Corla Hawkins operates a unique school in Chicago called Recovering the Gifted Child Academy. RGCA students, who affectionately call her “Momma Hawk,” face tremendous obstacles to success, including homelessness, incarcerated or absentee parents, and living below the poverty line.

Momma Hawk takes the students under her wings and with love and perseverance leads them toward healing and growth. She uses products provided through World Vision’s Gifts In Kind (GIK) program to help meet the basic needs of the students.

When 12-year-old Trina first started at RGCA her behavioral problems threatened her ability to stay in the classroom. As Momma Hawk spent time with Trina, she began to learn more about Trina’s family. Trina’s mother was incarcerated, and the family’s resources were limited. The six children shared three pairs of shoes and two coats. Basic items like toothbrushes and soap weren’t available.



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basic needs.” Trina’s self-esteem has flourished and she is now an ‘A’ student.

How Gifts In Kind Works

World Vision’s Gifts In Kind program receives donations of:

- New personal items—such as clothing, toiletries, and blankets
- School supplies—such as pencils, globes, and paper
- Building supplies—such as windows, doors, and nails

“The last time I was at World Vision, we picked up some toothbrushes. Trina begged me for seven of them so she would not have to share just one with the rest of her family,” says Momma Hawk. “Without the help of World Vision, this child would not be doing well because we would not be able to meet some of her



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In the Chicago area, more than 10,000 people benefited from GIK donations last year, receiving approximately \$4.7 million in donated items.

GIK Benefits World Vision Programs in Chicago

World Vision works with approximately 250 ministry partners in the Chicago area, including Chicago Anti-Hunger Federation, the Romanian Mission of Chicago, Chicago Public Schools, and several hospitals and clinics, to ensure that resources reach the people who need them most.

World Vision's Kids In Need program supplies students and teachers in economically challenged school districts with classroom materials for no charge.

The Storehouse offers building materials to low-income housing agencies and organizations in the Chicago area for a nominal handling fee. The materials are donated to World Vision by generous building material manufacturing companies, who receive tax benefits, reductions in operating costs, and the satisfaction that comes from helping people in need.

GIK Around the World

In 2000, World Vision distributed more than \$48 million in products to a half-million children and adults within the United States. Internationally, World Vision distributed more than \$155 million worth of GIK in nearly 100 countries.

What Is Your Vision?

Nationally, more than 800 companies, including Eastman Kodak Corp., Nike, Playtex, Dress Barn, Ty Corp., Avery-Dennison, Hasbro, Bristol Myers-Squibb, and Pfizer Corp. donate products to World Vision each year.

World Vision is thankful for the contributions of these valued partners. Thousands of people benefit from their generosity each year and, in turn, these companies enjoy tremendous tax benefits and the satisfaction of knowing their products are being used to serve the poor.

Contact us today for more involvement opportunities with World Vision's Gifts In Kind program or come visit our GIK warehouse at 5001 West Harrison.

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