

# 2007 Kids Care Coat Drive



The Kids Care Coat Drive has once again enlisted the support of the City of Bellevue – Youth Link, and area schools to collect and distribute warm outerwear for needy families. Collection boxes are located at Sammamish High School (100-140<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Bellevue); Eastside Catholic High School (11650 SE 60<sup>th</sup> Street, Bellevue); and Woodridge Elementary School (12619 SE 20<sup>th</sup> Place, Bellevue), beginning Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> and running through Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. Mount Si High School DECA (8651 Meadowbrook Way SE, Snoqualmie) will be having a collection at the school as well as the Snoqualmie Safeway store Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> through Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Collection boxes can also be found at Crossroads-Bellevue Mall, near the Mini City Hall; at the South Bellevue Community Center (14509 SE Newport Way, Bellevue); inside the Bellevue Police Department Substation, just outside of Target in the Factoria Mall; and at the North Bellevue Community Center (4063 148<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Bellevue).

Rick Teegarden, 15, has been a member of the Bellevue Youth Council for four years. It was through his Youth Council involvement with the Youth Link “Teen Closet” monthly clothing bank that Rick first noticed a need for warm coats. What began as a coat drive at Rick’s middle school in 2004 has grown to collect and distribute more than 1,500 pieces of outerwear in the past three years.

The Kids Care Coat Drive has distributed outerwear to our neighbors in need through many social service agencies including: the Crossroads Community Center Holiday Meal for Families in Need; the Wrap-Around Services Project at Lake Hills Elementary (a collaborative project of the City of Bellevue, Bellevue School District and the United Way of King County); Congregations for the Homeless Men’s Shelter at First Presbyterian Church Bellevue; Treehouse; Tent City 4; New Horizons Ministries Teen Drop-In Center; Street Youth Ministries Drop-In Center; Friends of Youth; and the Elizabeth Gregory Home Women of Worth Holiday Party for Homeless Women.

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