

# Warrenton Hammond Healthy Kids Inc.



## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

We learned early on that many of our children and students were dealing with poverty to the extent that it was becoming a barrier to learning. Issues beyond academics and beyond the school environment were affecting our children and their ability to learn. Our children were going to school hungry. Many didn't even have basic clothing such as shoes or warm jackets. Their mental and emotional well-being was tenuous and so fragile. Many live with toxic stress, neglect and abuse as a way of life. So we began to slowly identify issues that we could impact and hopefully neutralize. Issues such as lack of parental involvement or engagement; adverse childhood experiences, parental alcohol and substance abuse, unemployment and housing issues were a few that were identified. Abuse and toxic stress accounts for a great deal of our children's mental and behavioral needs. These had a direct impact on student attendance, participation and achievement. The need to surround our children/students with more than school books became very apparent the more we learned about this issue. We immediately created the weekend food backpack program and Healthy Hygiene backpack that are full of items such as toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, shampoo etc. We also provide Thanksgiving Baskets for our families in need and last year, we began our Christmas Project where we provided gifts to our most vulnerable children and families. Our commitment is that 100% of all dollars received will be used for projects.

## FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Weekend Food Backpack Programs, Thanksgiving Turkey Baskets, WGS Wellness Walkathon

## CORPORATE GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Available to give to W-H Healthy Kids to support local projects. Able to accept payroll deductions.

## SPONSORSHIPS

Hampton Lumber Mills, Windermere Foundation, Columbia Memorial Hospital, ReMax River and Sea, Charlie Shea Foundation, David and Linda Carey Foundation, Nygaard Lumber,

## DONATIONS

Checks, corporate giving, project specific donations

## VOLUNTEER

Project specific.  
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## Mission Statement:

To partner with schools, teachers and staff in identifying children in need and providing kid-friendly nonperishable food that is distributed at school. We exist to be a resource and a safety-net for our local school in providing financial, physical and nutritional support for those children whose basic needs are not being adequately met.

## Vision/Goals:

Our goal is to be as flexible as the need is great. We want to be a collaborative partner in our community helping to build up our children in positive healthy ways. Neutralizing the effects of poverty is always in the forefront of what we do.

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