Dec 11/2024 COAT Association

Dear council,

We had another successful year. The key of the Nova building was returned today but I have secured another room in the community to store a few things so we have a small emergency supply for the rest of the cold weather.

The Big Give was held on Nov 23. The election reduced the amount of space we had to use so it was downsized accordingly but still was very successful in getting coats, footwear and clothing into the hands of those that need it.

Our total distribution for this season was 1046 coats. Too many mittens and hats went out to keep track off. We had an unprecedented year for hat donations so arrangements have been made to keep them out in the community at various points of access. They serve no purpose being stored away so we keep a few to start up next year and the rest will be available for self selection until supplies are gone.

We saw an increase in coat donations from Kennetcook, Mt Uniack and Indian Brook this season. With some persistence our word seems to be getting out. We are very pleased with this and will continue to make it known that there is need all over.

It is appreciated more than I can say that we get to use the Nova building. This small personal project of mine has grown so big. It has turned into a huge community service and I'm very proud of what it has become. It takes a village and we live in an awesome one.

Thank you for the financial support. We were able to purchase a lot of snowsuits that we needed. And also to top up our supply of mens and boys coats. We never get enough of those donated. I humbly ask that we be considered for financial assistance going forward. I can assure you the money is spent wisely and we get the most out of it that we possibly can.

A financial report is being complied and can be available on request after the new year.

Thank you ,
Sincerely
Catherine Miller
President
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