



CUPE Brings a Child a Smile Update



As you may be aware, CUPE Brings a Child a Smile is committed to doing good works by helping the schools we work in and the families in our community have access to the things that many take for granted. We have already donated two brand new CSA approved hockey helmets to each elementary school in Medicine Hat and Redcliff, and we have committed to donate another four helmets for the next school year. We will also be providing those schools with skate sharpening for their donated skates so every child can experience the fun and physical activity that school skating days provide!

During the months of November and December we ran a campaign to collect much needed pajamas for the Phoenix Safe House. Thanks to the generosity of CUPE Local 829 the Education Support Staff in Medicine Hat and area and all of the amazing families who brought us donations, CBCS pajama campaign has been a huge success! We collected 69 pairs of children's pj's, 18 pairs of ladies pj's, 4 bathrobes, 2 pairs of ladies pj bottoms and 1 pair of slippers to present to the Phoenix Safe House.

For the months of February and March our ongoing commitment to the Phoenix Safe House will continue with a plea for toiletries and diapers to help those families most in need. We will be collecting new full sized toothpaste and toothbrushes, all hair care related products including combs, brushes, elastics and hairclips, all types of feminine care products, body wash, disposable razors as well as diapers, pull-ups and underwear. The families in transition at the Phoenix Safe House are beginning to make new lives for themselves and their children so please help CUPE bring back their smiles and help make this campaign a huge success!

All donations can be dropped off at the following schools: Crestwood, George Davidson, Herald, MHHS, Riverside, Ross Glen, Southview, Vincent Massey and Webster Niblock.

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