SEPTEMBER 1 THROUGH NOVEMBER 16

Teddy Bear Project and Blanket Drive (over 176,000 donated to date)

E Mail today childrescue97948@aol.com or visit www.cr-foundation/TeddyBear GSMH Participation Agreement form

SIGN UP TODAY TO FIND OUT HOW TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF A CHILD

Goal: 10,000 plush animals any size, shape color religion or creed

Procedural Information for the TBP5

For Children in Crisis

STATS for thought:

Safehouse Denver serves 10,000 women and their children annually

In Denver alone, police report responding to over 6000 domestic violence calls annually with over 1/3 involving children who witness the violence!

Gathering Place (a shelter for women and children) report serving over 130-300 women and children nightly

In NW Denver, one school system reports having roughly 500 homeless children that they service and care for.

Calendar of Events/How does this project work?

COVID 19 UPDATES FOR COLLECTIONS

New updates for collecting plush animals

1. Please make sure all these amazing scouts have washed hands and wear masks while collecting, tagging and bagging all plush animals.

2. If possible, running small lots through dryer on high heat (check to make sure that animals can withstand that without melting) and add a sanitizer.

3. New is better, but we do accept slightly used. Please make sure in sorting that you examine each donation for tears, missing parts, and dirt of smudges. Those items cannot go through at all this year.

4. If possible, after your final tagging party and each bag is closed tightly, quarantine items for 2 weeks and label each bag with the date quarantined. We are doing these safety measures to let the public know we care and are practicing care and safety at every turn.

This year we will have 10 receiving sites only, and we will have a positive confirmation on those sites by October 15, 2020.
Thank you for understanding and wanting make a smile appear on faces that may be struggling or sad at this difficult time!

We appreciate you!

1. Collect- any size, shape, color, occupation or gender new and slightly loved only..new this year, please add a blanket or do a separate drive for blankets only
2. Tag and Sort
3. Deliver

September 1……………begin collection…new and slightly loved only, any size, color, gender or profession

NOVEMBER 16th………………Final day for delivery

The process for working with the Teddy Bear Project has never been easier, whether you are participating as a community involvement sponsor or corporate sponsor! Whether large or small, we encourage you to download the following sheets, and follow the easy step by step procedures, and either fill out on line and send back the forms, or fax to 303-753-9416 between 7-9am or 5-9pm M-F.

Step1- SIGN UP ONLINE
Visit the web site at www.cr-foundation.org
Follow the links to TBP and Form Downloads
   If you are a Community Collector, Faith Participant or Corporate Collector click on Community participation Form
If you are a school, click on school participation form
   If you are a Girl Scout troop or a Boy Scout of America leader, click on GSMHC/BSA for all the forms in one location

All individuals participating in this project need to complete the following forms and send them back to us as requested:
1. Participation Agreement…………………send these in before you begin to collect
2. Release of Liability Form………………… To be sent in before you begin delivery
3. Final numbers- need to be e mailed in with exact count at childrescue97984@aol.com
Step 2 Collect…new and slightly loved…all sizes, shapes, colors and professions-PLEASE MAKE AN EFFORT TO SMELL ANIMALS- IF THEY ARE SMOKY, DINGY, MOTH BALLED OR ANY OTHER UNPLEASANT ODOR, PLEASE DISCARD. Also, blanket should be new and clean. (Please see new COVID instructions above)

Step 3 Post collection- Tag!

Step 4 Have a tagging party with your company, children and families. This is where the Kids Empowering Kids part of the program swings into full gear!! Select your home, school or faith organization! Blankets can be tied in a pretty bow. (Please see new COVID instructions above)

Step 5 E mail us at childrescue97984@aol.com for delivery. Please note that many of the delivery sites, because of client need and volume, are in and around Metro Denver. Some sites are Boulder, Weld County and a few Aurora.

In the past years, over 175,000 plush animals have been received and adopted by children, from children. These children who receive these gifts come from violent, sometimes homeless and abusive situations, and it is our goal to support and provide outreach for them and their families.

....One child at a time. One family at a time.”

History of the Teddy Bear Project™

The Child Rescue Foundation designed the Teddy Bear Project in the fall of 1999 as a way to reach children in crisis with a symbol of unconditional love. The goal for that year was to raise 25,000 plush animals and have them delivered with community support. Although an ambitious effort, the first year yielded 9,000 stuffed animals. At that time, volunteer participation from the corporate sector as well as private participated in public tagging dates to re tag all the animals, as well as the delivery.

After realizing what 9000 plush animals actually looked like at our office, a more realistic goal of 10,000 bears, matched with a financial donation of a dollar per bear, was conceived for the 2001 Teddy Bear Project™. Many in the non profit sector felt the effects of the 911 event in NY, and CRF was among them. Many of our volunteers had given of their time to the victims and families of those lost in the World Trade Center bombing. None the less, we were still able to collect 7000 bears that year and deliver them to families and children in need. This year, the TBP has begun, and has moved forward to create a simpler, more impacting event with its new program. Our focus is on gaining not only the plush animals, but the dollar matching as well for this program. ONLY CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SPONSORS ARE MATCHING THE BEARS AND THE DOLLARS.

GSMHC collects and delivers 65% of the animals annually!

Tell us About Your Troop or Den

Participation Agreement Form Step 1 and Step 3

Organization Name___________________
# of children participating________ # of adults___________
Contact name___________________________
Address______________________ City__________Zip_______
Phone Number__________________ e mail_________________

The undersigned voluntarily agrees to participate in the TBP5, sponsored by the Child Rescue Foundation, Inc., a recognized 501 C 3 non profit organization.
I, __________________________, registered agent for ________________________, agree to collect plush animals on behalf of CRF, Inc.

All participants agree to do the following three things:

I agree to:

- Collect plush animals, and/or blankets and keep an accurate count of the total number collected.
- Having a tagging party. To sort all the animals and remove severely loved animals from the distribution.
- Deliver the animals to one of 31 major drop off sites. Sites will be given upon completion of tagging date.
- I understand that no compensation will be offered to me for working with the TBP4.
- I have read all new COVID procedures and will follow the new guidelines.

_________________________  __________________________
Authorized Signature of Agent                 Date

Step 4 Tagging Party

Information for ReTagging bears

(Please see new COVID instructions above)

When you have finished collecting, the value of the children’s participation becomes crucial. Any child can participate at this level. This portion of the project enables youth to give back to another, with a personal name and/or message.

1. Remove any frayed or hard tags from the bears/animals.
2. Using the template below, copy and paste on a new word document and print out as many as you need on red paper.
3. SMELL, SORT AND REMOVE ALL SEVERELY LOVED ANIMALS.
4. Punch a hole through the tag. Blankets get a wonderful ribbon or bow.
5. Have each child/adult name an animal, and/or include a special message like “We Care About You” or “It’s going to be better” or whatever you feel is appropriate.
6. Using a piece of ribbon, attach the heart shaped tag securely around the wrist.
7. If you have photos or would like to write us a letter, we enjoy sharing them with the grown-ups!!
8. Remember to place all new animals, marked and counted, in separate bags. Hospitals will not take gently loved animals.
9. Remember to quarantine all animals for 2 weeks with a date for start and finish quarantine.

Photo of bear tagged/Sample
When tagging has been completed, email us at childrescue97984@aol.com, state the number of animals of you have, and we will email back your special delivery site.

Prior to delivery, complete STEP 5 and fax, snail or take a phone photo of your releases, back to us.

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**Release of Liability**

The undersigned voluntarily agrees to participate in the business of CRF, Inc. (Child Rescue Foundation). My duties may include: Training, Administrative tasks, event planning & coordinating, fund raising, grant application writing, media coordinating, governmental liaison, and escorting and delivery.

By my signature, I hereby state that I understand the risks involved in such volunteer participation and willingly and voluntarily accept these risks. I hereby surrender any right to seek reimbursement from CRF and its directors, officers, employees, volunteers and other agents for any injury sustained and liability incurred during my volunteer service. I hereby warrant that I am over 18 years of age and not relying on any oral representations, statements or inducement apart from the statements made on this form.

Signed:_____________________________ Date_____________________________