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CLOTHING OUR KIDS (COK) UPDATE – MARCH 19, 2025 COK PROVIDES HOPE TO STUDENTS THROUGH THE GENEROUS DONATIONS OF SO MANY EXCEPTIONAL PARTNERS

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So many kids are raised in poverty and then rescued by Teachers, Social Workers, Nurses, Counselors, Coaches, and other support Staff in their schools. They help struggling young people attain a chance to achieve their dreams. For 12 years, COK has collaborated with the schools to help Staff Members recognize students who need proper clothing to inspire them to reach their full potential without feeling inadequate due to their personal circumstances.

COK could not provide a clothing lifeline to these youngsters without the generosity of others who see the acute need and wish to provide an opportunity for these students to achieve greatness. In the past few weeks, COK has been indebted to the following partners in supporting these students who are clothing insecure.

- Bethel United Methodist Church in Lewes with a donation of \$3,577.
- St. Jude's Knights of Columbus also in Lewes who contributed \$5,000.
- Sussex County Association of REALTORS – SUSSEX STRONG providing \$2,000 for our students.

Though these and other benefactors, COK has provided nearly 242,000 items of clothing to almost 29,000 kids. We are currently in every Head Start Program, Pre-K, Elementary and Middle School in Sussex County. In the 2024/2025 school year, COK supplied closets in five High Schools with our goal being to provide clothing support to all 14 High Schools in the next two years. COK is profoundly grateful to those who support our Mission, make heroes of School Staff, and provide a brighter future for the students who need us most.

For information regarding Clothing Our Kids (COK), or to donate, please go to www.clothingourkids.org. Kindly pass on the good work of COK by sharing this Update and liking our Social Media posts with your family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues.

