July 5, 2021

Janeen Holmes
My Stuff Bags Foundation
5347 Sterling Center Drive
Westlake Village, CA 91361

RE: My Stuff Bags Receipt Information Report, July 2021

Dear Ms. Holmes:

As a recipient of My Stuff Bags, Many Mansions is proud to report that your generous contribution to our Supportive Housing & Children’s Program was delivered successfully to the area’s most vulnerable and disadvantaged population.

On June 30, 2021, we received 120 My Stuff Bags. As of July 5, 60 of the bags were distributed to 3 separate housing sites! The remaining 60 are being held in storage and will be handed out at our upcoming property re-gathering celebrations and to any new resident youth that move into our properties.

The donation of My Stuff Bags brings smiles and excitement to the faces of our youth. Many of our families are still struggling from the pandemic - the bags were cherished and celebrated by everyone who got one – from the mother of a toddler to the vulnerable family with multiple children, and to many families that have a very limited income and wouldn’t be able to provide these items for their children or teens.

Most children come to Many Mansions from families struggling to keep a roof over their heads. This past year, our Supportive Services served 83 individuals and families, made up of some of our most vulnerable neighbors-- those who are formerly homeless, disabled, and low-income -- and coming from the foster care community. In addition, we have witnessed considerable changes in our community as a result of COVID-19. The pandemic has cut off our low-income residents from a lot of resources inherent in a healthy society, and endangered already-vulnerable families and young people.
As the months wore on, we began hearing and understanding more about these lost resources. Students lost access to in-person schooling, on-site tutoring, and free and reduced lunches. Many parents and adults lost sources of income or had their hours cut. Elderly and chronically ill residents became afraid to go out in public, even for basic necessities, and just about everyone worried about finances.

We have personally witnessed the enormous impact our services, and donations such as yours, make on a daily basis, through tearful appreciation and smiles of gratitude. Although direct, consistent communication with the residents is limited right now with COVID, they told us that they were very surprised and didn't expect to be getting such wonderful duffle bags, and that they were very appreciative!

By providing a practical and generous group of gifts to those in the most need, your donation has directly contributed to the immediate physical and emotional needs of these vulnerable and at-risk children. The residents of Many Mansions greatly appreciate the support of the My Stuff Bags Foundation and are grateful for your generous donation to the children in our communities.

Sincerely,

Ann Sobel

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Vice President, Resource Development