



Ms. Janeen Holmes, President/CEO of My Stuff Bags Foundation
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Dear Ms. Holmes,

The Intervention Staff at SafePath Children's Advocacy Center clearly recognize the vital role the "My Stuff Bags" play in our interactions with our young clients who are in need. The contents not only meet a physical need they have at the time but they meet an emotional need as well.

The bags are currently being given to those children who are taken into protective custody after receiving services at our center. Typically these children have parents who are either the offender or authorities believe they won't protect their children during the ongoing investigation. So rather than send these children to a foster care placement with nothing, we feel it is important to give them a "My Stuff Bag" along with other items to make their first few days more comfortable. We also have a fully stocked new clothes closet so we can add clothing items to the blue bags as well.

Recently, we had three children that came to our center after being witnesses to homicide. The children witnessed their father killing their mother and were immediately taken into protective custody by Child Protective Services. Child Protective Services were able to place the children with their adult sister in a different county. Due to the nature of the crime, the children were not able to return to their home to gather any personal belongings before moving in with their sister. SafePath Intervention staff members were able to give them their "My Stuff Bags" which gave them basic toiletries to freshen up since they were up all night long, as well as help provide them with the basics before moving in with their sister. The children and adult sister were very grateful to have the bag and toiletries to help them start their "new normal". The youngest child was so excited to open up her bag and see what goodies she had in there. The bags ended up being critical to these children because they ended up not being able to go home to get any of their personal items because the house was an active crime scene.

We truly appreciate being able to provide the children with the "My Stuff Bags", so they have something of their own. Thank you so much for your and your donors' support. We are all truly making a difference in the lives of children.

Sincerely,

Jinger Robins, MA
Chief Executive Officer



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