



KCAPS' NEWSLETTER

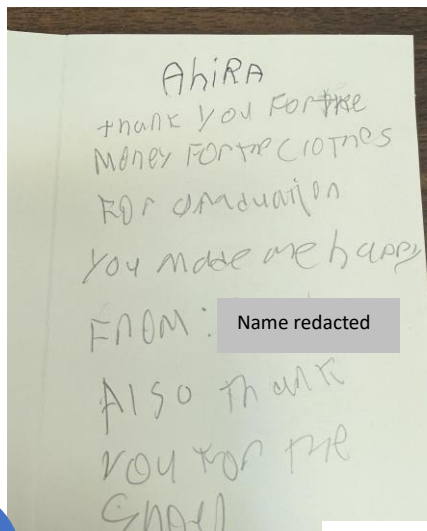
THINGS BIG and SMALL

The following snippet of information goes a long way to explaining our overall ministry. We do things in big strokes and small, but often it is the smaller, repetitive interactions that make the big differences.

The following note is from one of the students from our Tutoring Center. For all practical purposes he has been there since we opened our doors. He has learning disabilities and has been working with our retired teacher Tim. The student used to come in loud and disruptive. Tim would talk to him and explain how we behave here. It took time, consistency, and patience, but he now walks in quietly and goes to his table, pulls out his work, and begins his homework. He graduated from 8th grade last June and is now a freshman. We are proud of him and the progress he has made.

Every year we select a few deserving students who are graduating from Jr High or High School and provide for promotion clothes, sometimes with a shopping trip or via a gift card. This young man was one of our recipients. The promotion clothes happen in May or early June. Recently we also dropped off some new shoes for him at his house, where he lives with his elderly grandmother. He was so surprised that we would drive to his house to give him shoes that he left this note for our director Aida Rushing.

This note may seem like a common courtesy to you, but for him to do this is HUGE. Thank you to our tutor Tim! Thank you to those who donate. Together, through things big and small we are making a positive difference in many people's lives.



Also shown are recent photos of our Tutoring Center



KCAPS' "FOODCONOMICS"

January – August 2025

- Visits for food 1,534[^]
- Individuals served 4,456
- Meals provided 22,280*

*Goal - Average 5 + meals per person in household

[^]One time per month maximum. Many households come less often.



Monthly grant funds from Kingsburg Healthcare District help us provide food etc., and tutoring.



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RELATIONSHIPS, RELATIONSHIPS, RELATIONSHIPS

For many years KCAPS has had a great working relationship with Kingsburg Elementary. We work closely with their school liaisons, many of the teachers, and the office staff. Over the years they have helped us with food and toy drives, we in turn have had available to their students free backpacks, counseling services for the family, emergency food and financial assistance, and have annually provided emergency clothing for the school offices.

In recent years our relationship with Kingsburg High School has been fabulous as they enabled us to get grant funds to initially open and fund our Tutoring Center. They also contributed to the funds we had available for professional counseling services. Together we have helped a number of KHS families in many of the same areas mentioned above with Kingsburg Elementary.

Traver Elementary and KCAPS have worked hand in hand to help many of their students. Our facilities in Traver house the local library, started by Traver Elementary School students. They help us advertise the food distributions, Kid's Clubs, Harvest Festival, and other community ministries. As with the other schools, we also provide emergency clothing for their offices. We were recently able to attend Traver's Back to School Night and pass out information to the parents attending. Parents were interested to learn that their students can be tutored here, and they also requested counseling information.



At Kings River the relationship has tended to ebb and flow. Much of that probably having to do with changes in personnel. However, we were recently able to attend their Back to School Night and were able to connect with many people from the London Community. There, several families left with new information about our counseling and tutoring services. Like Traver, the school acts in many ways like a clearing house of information to the communities they serve. Healthcare, literacy, family relationships, and financial concerns when addressed appropriately, are all part of creating healthy environments for children.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please be in prayer for:

~Our tutors and their students ~Our counselors and their clients – some of them are in a great deal of emotional pain ~For healthy marriages ~That children in unsafe homes will be found and cared for ~For the safety of our schools and community ~For those who are grieving ~For our staff and volunteers and their families ~Praise for the many blessings we've received

