



Big Brothers Big Sisters
of Halton

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Ms. Denise Mule
40 King Street
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Dear Ms. Mule

On behalf of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Halton and the families we serve, we would like to thank you so very much for including us in your Christmas backpack extravaganza. Once again we were thrilled to be able to come by to pick up 225 (!) backpacks and sport bags for men, women, babies and children. We celebrated our Christmas before handing out all the goodie-bags to our families!!

As you know, most of the families we serve face a financial situation in their day-to-day lives that barely keeps a roof over their heads and food on their table. The kind of Christmas celebration that their kids see on television, computers and in magazines is so far beyond their dreams as to be beyond comprehension. Although not our mandate, we do our best to help out however we can...and you make us look awfully good!! Without the wonderful donors and sponsors we have in our circle of friends, many of our families would not have a Christmas at all.

As a mentoring agency, removing all the "glitter" of the holiday season, we are all so impressed by your endeavor. We do so much "hands on" work for our programs – organizing, sorting, preparing and planning – that we are in a very unique position to truly appreciate the amount of work that goes into each bag. Every item is a thoughtful addition to the beneficiary's celebration and every one of our recipients was so grateful for their children's support and a little giddy themselves to receive a "MAN" or "WOMAN" bag. Don't even get us started on what must be your storage issues!!

Dr. Wayne Dyer once said, "Friends are God's way of apologizing for family". How lucky for us that our friends and family are related! It just goes to show how small the world is these days. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all the work you do for your community and the work you do indirectly by involving your daycare kids in this program. As a social service agency we know how important it is to teach our young people that it is easy to be a part of the global community. It is a life lesson they will never forget...and neither will we!

Very Sincerely

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Executive Director

Katie Digby
Case Manager

Ashley Rohde
Case Manager

P.S. And thank you for the fantastic jam – we are enjoying every spoonful! What a special treat.