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Cumulative Stats

32,500 lbs. of donations have been shipped since 2005.

\$36,500 raised from community donations since 2007.

113 Point Leaders since 2005 (some serving multiple times).

We are now serving: ____16

Rejoice that the following Point Leader has returned home to the US safely:

Keith Jermyn in Djibouti



Two Announcements

A new face has come on board here at the Care Package headquarters and we are extremely happy about it.

Meet Jodie Toberer, a member of the First Baptist Church and the mother of an Army Soldier. She has a passion in her heart for our deployed US Soldiers and she has already been volunteering a large amount of time and effort to this outreach. She has been doing a marvelous job with every aspect of this project and is a tremendous asset. She has even started a Care Package Outreach



at South Shore Hospital where she works. I hope you meet her.

The second announcement is in regards to my health. I'm going to be gone for a while. As you may have read in a previous newsletter, I have leukemia. Very recently it was discovered that I have also developed MDS (Robin Robert's disease). Both blood diseases are treated with a bone marrow transplant, which I will be undergoing in only a matter of weeks. I have a very positive attitude which includes plans to return to our Care Package Outreach as soon as my doctors let me.

In the meantime I want to assure you that Jodie will be handling everything with efficiency and timeliness. Please continue to donate supplies and postage funds. Our Soldiers still need your contributions more than ever and you shouldn't see a hiccup here in getting your supplies to them.

Thank you.

You are still the foundation of this outreach. You are extremely appreciated. And I WILL be back to serve you and our Soldiers.

PINEHILLS DOES IT AGAIN

The Pinehills communities in Plymouth once again collected a huge supply of Care Package items for our troops during a Memorial Day donation drive. On June 8 Carole Ellis, who spearheads two collections a year at Pinehills, delivered 285 lbs of supplies and \$525 in postage funds. These contributions were mailed immediately to our needy Soldiers in Afghanistan, Egypt, Qatar, Kuwait, and Iraq.

Thank you to all involved! You make such a difference!

PLANTING A SEED

Thinking about a July 4th party? Cookout? What about a Care Package theme?

It's only a few weeks away. So in theme with the holiday, how about asking your guests to bring a Care Package donation?

Send them to www.SoldiersCarePackages.com/html/needed_items.html for a full list of item suggestions.

What a wonderful and effortless thing to do for our troops.

And what about birthday parties to benefit our Troops?

It all started with 6 year old Charlie Goebel. Instead of receiving presents for himself at his birthday party, he requested gifts for Soldiers. Word got around. It's become a popular idea. You can do it too!!



Current Donation Requests:

Protein bars, cans of fruit (small), baby wipes, hand sanitizer, air fresheners, Icy Hot patches.

All donations are sent immediately.

For other suggestions go to: *http://www.SoldiersCarePackages.com/html/needed_items.html*



The First Baptist Church will pack and ship items for you. Donations may be brought to the FBC Office in the building to the right of the church. There will be a donation box on the porch. FBC is in Hingham Square on the corner of Elm and Main Street, 2 doors up from Loring Theater.

Our "Point Leaders" are soldiers who receive our Care Packages and always have a connection with Hingham. They distribute donated items to their unit, focusing on the greatest need.

For those who prefer to send a financial contribution toward postage instead of shopping for items, it will be gratefully accepted. Please make a check out to First Baptist Church Benevolence Account and note "Care Packages Postage" on the memo line. Mail to 85 Main Street, Hingham, MA 02043.



