

HERITAGE ID NEWSLETTER



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Letter from the Coordinator

Thanks to the overwhelming generosity and creative fundraising efforts of our students, families, and staff, the Heritage community extended a caring hand to women impacted by homelessness in the Montéregie area and raised \$4000 for the Shoe Box Project. We are grateful to be a part of this meaningful project that sends a powerful message that everyone deserves to be treated with kindness and dignity. Your empathy, especially at this time, makes a huge difference, and all of the proceeds raised go directly to the women in need. The HRHS community wishes them and you hope, strength, and continued well-being.

Angela Cavaliere

need. The aim of the project wasn't only to raise money; but it was also to raise awareness and allow us to spread the holiday joy.

The way many IB students raised money was by doing "chores for charity". Students did their least favourite chores just so they could contribute to the charity. Big-hearted families also found other creative ways to raise money-like baking homemade, delicious treats for family and friends like cookies and even pizzas. One Sec. 2 student helped repaint the family living room! These are just a few examples of kindness and selflessness that really go to show how one project can bring a community together.

"The generosity of the HRHS students, the staff and their families allowed us to ease the load and lighten the burden of women and children in need during this difficult time of year. Spreading the magic of the holidays to those in need as well as in the hearts of those who gave so generously."

-Ella Pike, Secondary 2 IB.

The school's initial goal was to raise \$1500. In the end, Heritage raised a grand total of \$4065! That's enough to make 81 shoeboxes. A shout-out goes to the IB helpers who tracked the donations and challenged their hub peers to donate. Thank you for your generosity and for raising awareness. Your kindness is inspirational.





THE SHOEBOX PROJECT

Chores for Charity for those in need

by Sophia Raine Amancio and Kassandra Iliopoulos - IB Secondary 2

From new COVID-19 restrictions to online classes to quarantining for two weeks at a time, these are uncertain times, but one thing has stayed constant: HRHS's unwavering generosity. The Shoebox Project is a charity that helps women and children in shelters. This initiative is new to our school and inspired many students and staff alike to open their hearts and wallets for those in