

Children Are Angels From Heaven

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Hi Everyone,

Here it is in mid-2026 and I am writing my latest newsletter about *Children are Angels from Heaven f*rom January to December 2025. Please understand my writings are always one year behind as I make the newsletter year to year. This started out to be another great year for Angels. In January I was packing donation boxes and sending them to either India or Nepal. Everything was very good and going well.

On February 6th, everything changed forever for *Children are Angels from Heaven*. I received an unexpected telephone call from Steve Power's daughter, Breanna Powers. Steve was a long time member of our *Children are Angels from Heaven* Board of Directors. Breanna told me that her Dad had unexpectedly passed away the day before. Even when writing this mail to you, I am still in shock over Steve's passing. When I started *Children are Angels from Heaven,* Steve Powers was one of the first people to volunteer his time to help me and be on the Board of Directors. Steve also published our Angels Facebook page. Steve gave his all to *Children are Angels from Heaven* and helping poor children. It was always 110% effort in any thing Steve did. Steve was my right hand man at *Children are Angels from Heaven* and never had to be asked or told what to do. Steve always knew what had to be done and just reached out to get whatever it was done. I will always miss Steve and his work for the children.

During the remainder of the 2025 year, we did move forward to help the children. It was not easy to get everything back in order and going again. With the help of Breanna Powers getting the passwords for the Facebook page and Anwesha Ray in Germany stepping up to keep it going. We also shipped donation boxes and two local Boston area schools donated about 200 pounds of Halloween candy to our small charity to distribute. In the following pages of this newsletter you will learn more of 2025 and what we accomplished.



After you read this newsletter, I ask that you pass it on for others to read about the work of our small charity. For now, I **Thank You** for your help and support.

Ray OBrien

Steve Powers Park – India 2025

On February 6, 2025, our friend and Board of Directors member, Steve Powers, passed away. Steve was a hard worker to help all children everywhere.

When Steve passed away, his family directed donations, in lieu of flowers, be given to *Children are Angels from Heaven*. I received donations from as far away as Florida and Colorado in Steve's memory. Everyone loved Steve. He was a friend to everyone and helped anyone he could throughout his entire life.

I kept Steve's funds in our *Children are Angels from Heaven* bank account and had my eyes open for a special project to do in Steve's memory.

As many of you know, I do a lot of work with the Daughters of the Cross Sisters in India. The Sisters are all very good to work with and no matter the project we do together, they look after every detail to make everything perfect.

It is funny how things work out sometimes. Soon after Steve's passing, on February 22, 2025, I received a letter from Principal Sister Josline of the Daughters of the Cross Sisters asking for some help at her school regarding play equipment for the children. It came at a perfect time as I was on the lookout for a good project in memory of Steve.

Sister Josline and I agreed to have a new playground made at her school in Orissa, India, in memory of Steve and naming it the Steve Powers Park. Both of us were very happy about this new venture together and moved forward with our plans.

Sister Josline got estimates for the new equipment, and we were on our way with the project but Sister Josline ran across a huge problem.







The heavy Monsoon rains came to her area in Orissa and the Project was delayed for about five months. In my photos you will see the children going to school in the rain and how the school yard was flooded with water. Sister and I talked about the water problem and it was decided to move the area to have the playground built further away from the school on the higher ground of a hill. You will see the area in my photos.

After the rains went away and everything dried up, the day finally cleared and work began to level the area for the new playground. Everything was done by hand.

The day finally came that everyone was waiting for, all the playground equipment was delivered in a small truck. It was then the playground was off loaded, assembled, and cemented into the ground.

Steve Powers Park, Children are Angels from Heaven, Boston was painted on the long brick wall just behind the playground which surrounds the school property.

A few days later, the children were allowed to go to the playground for the very first time. It was a very happy moment for everyone, Sister Josline and all the Daughters of the Cross Sisters, the teachers, and most of all the children.

I am sure you will be happy to see the photos in this mail, and understand the happiness of everyone at the playground in memory of a wonderful man named **Steve Powers**.

In loving memory of



STEVE POWERS
1952-2025














Steve's Park (Cont.)

Dear Mr. Ray, Jan 28, 2026

Warm Greetings to you. I hope everything is fine with you.

Our school reopened on 5th January, and the children are now preparing for their final examinations. Along with their studies, they are extremely happy to play in the park.

Their joy and excitement are clearly visible when they are there, and it brings great happiness to all of us.

We sincerely Thank you for your thoughtfulness and kind heart. We are also deeply grateful to Steve Power, Boston, for generously supporting us with this beautiful park for our children.

Thank you once again for your love and concern for our students. May God always bless you abundantly.

Please find a few photographs of the children enjoying in the park.

With gratitude
Sr. Josline Fc

Angels- School Sponsorships 2025 to 2026

This is about the *Children are Angels from Heaven School Sponsorship Program* for 2025 to 2026.

It all started many years ago with three children in India, and over the years it has grown from three children to five, and then ten children, to this past year where we sponsored twenty-one children to go to school every day, twenty in Orissa, India, and one in Kolkata, India. Next year even more children will be added, and the total number of sponsored school children will be twenty-three children.

We sponsor children to go to a town or city school, as well as rural village schools.

It takes a lot of work to coordinate our program on both sides of the world. The Daughters of the Cross Sisters in India look after our Rourkela and Orissa children and Mr. Dibyendu Bhattacharya in Kolkata, looks after our sponsorship there. Most of all, twenty-one families in the USA sponsor these children with the funds to go to school every day.

Every student has a special reason for needing a sponsorship. Please understand, it is a private matter between the school and the sponsorship family in the USA.

What is required from the student is, go to school every day and try their best "A for Effort," as with any student going to school anywhere in the world. Sometimes the marks are good and sometimes they are not. What really counts is the children are going to school every day.

Attending a good school in India or anywhere else in the world can become very hard, especially in the 10th grade in India.

Students are required to take an important test, to align with your schooling future and what classes to take and where to go to school. I cannot stress it enough as to how important this test is for the student. I am very proud to say all our 10th grade students passed the test and will move on to grade 11.

In every country of the world, parents know education is the key to a good life but many times to get this education, there are roadblocks that have to be overcome such as funding and being accepted into a good school.

There are over one billion people in India so job competition can be extremely hard, again, education when you are young is the key.

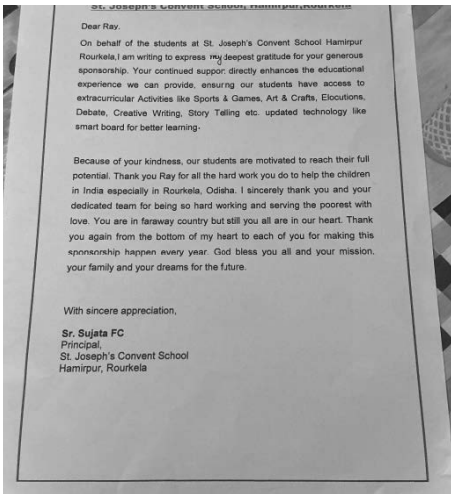
I would like to say a HUGE **thank you** for to our sponsorship families for their continued support, and I would also like to say a *Thank You* to our past families who also have supported this sponsorship for the children over the years, as well as Mr. Bhattacharya and the Daughters of the Cross Sisters in India.



This past week I received a special DHL package from India with all the Letters, Report Cards and Photos of our school students from Sister Sujata, the Principal of St. Joseph Convent School, who works very hard, looking after this program. I have made copies for my files and I have sent everything out by USPS to every family who sponsors a child.

Thank you for the help and support for this project to help educate children and make the world a better place, one school student at a time.




Dear Ray,

On behalf of the students at St. Joseph's Convent School Hamirpur Rourkela,I am writing to express my deepest gratitude for your generous sponsorship. Your continued suppor directly enhances the educational experience we can provide, ensurng our students have access to extracurricular Activities like Sports & Games, Art & Crafts, Elocutions, Debate, Creative Writing, Story Telling etc. updated technology like smart board for better learning.

Because of your kindness, our students are motivated to reach their full potential. Thank you Ray for all the hard work you do to help the children in India especially in Rourkela, Odisha. I sincerely thank you and your dedicated team for being so hard working and serving the poorest with love. You are in faraway country but still you all are in our heart. Thank you again from the bottom of my heart to each of you for making this sponsorship happen every year. God bless you all and your mission, your family and your dreams for the future.

With sincere appreciation,

Sr. Sujata FC
Principal,
St. Joseph's Convent School
Hamirpur, Rourkela

Hats and Writing Pens to Nepal

A few months ago, I was given three BIG boxes of baseball hats and pens from a person named Karen.

I unpacked all the boxes and made two good-size boxes to send, one to a village in Tulachan, Nepal, and another to a school in Rourkela, India. In total, there were about 1500 pens and about 300 baseball hats.

To ship boxes halfway around the world overseas, it requires lots of paperwork with the exact details of what is inside of every box and money for shipping costs. Many times, the boxes are opened by the officials to make sure everything is legal and the contents match up to what is written on the paperwork, and at times, I do get charged duty charges for the goods being imported into the country.

The story today, is about one of the boxes reaching a small village in Nepal where I have been working with Sister Shanti.

Sister Shanti is a hard worker of the Daughters of the Cross Sisters. Sister lives in a Convent in the village and teaches at the school. She knows every single student in the school as well as all the village people who live in the surrounding area.



Sister Shanti received the big box in mid-March and unpacked it with the other Sisters. Soon after, Sister Shanti was very busy handing everything out to the students of her school. Our gifts made many children very happy. Every student of the school received a new pen and many of the children got new hats.

You may be thinking why is just one pen so special to these children …. or the hats?

Here are a few words directly from an email Sister Shanti sent me saying, Thank You for everything.

Very dear Mr. Ray,

Greetings and gratitude fromTulachan, Nepal. Hope all is well with you and with the Angels in Heaven. We and our children from here thank you and your donors for all the help we received from last April.

I do not have enough words to express the joy our children felt as we distributed the hats and pens you sent us. What a big number we got!! There were 575 pens and 105 hats, all new!! "Praise the Lord!!" the sisters said when we opened the box. Your donors and friends have a big generous heart just like yours. Isn't it? May you and your group be blessed with more and more blessings from God. May all of your families be joyful.



As we went through each class distributing the pens, the kids straight away started writing and making little noise while pushing again and again from the back end of the pen. They were really excited because such pens are not available in the village here. Moreover they are costly in the towns.

*Putting on the hats, the kids enjoyed playing in the sun. Some even gave it to their parents who were working in the rice paddy field under the sun!!. It is already summer here. 23*Celsius now. You have brought a lot of laughter, smiles, excitement in St. Joseph's School Tulachan. I am still wondering how you could do this in spite of the winter cold and your busy schedule!. Please thank the donors. We are praying for them, our children are praying for them.*

We also shared the joy with the Parish children who go to government schools by distributing them the pens. Soon the exams will start. So they can use the pens effectively.

You have been sincerely trying to help us dear Mr. Ray. May your work flourish and bring more and more smiles and Joy in different parts of the world. This is my sincere Prayer for you and your friends.

With warm regards and wishes, I remain,

Sr. Shanti FC

I would also like to say a big *Thank You* to everyone for all your help and support. No we do not have millions of dollars, but we sure can do a lot with a little and also be accountable and responsible for everything done, big or small. When you look at some of the photos you will see new high/low desks we bought for the school last year.

Thank You for your continued help and support for the poor.



Hats and Writing Pens to India - 2025

Karen's generosity enabled me to not only send a box of pens and hats to Nepal but a second box to Rourkela, India. This is an update regarding the second shipment that was sent to Rourkela, India.

It took about six weeks but the heavy box arrived at the Principal's office, Sister Sujata, at St. Joseph Convent School in Rourkela, India. The Daughters of the Cross Sisters and school workers opened the big box right on Sister Sujata's desk in her office. Everyone was excited to receive the hats and pens. Let me tell you one thing about the Daughters of the Cross Sisters. The Sisters all work together no matter what the project is, large or small, and every Sister always gives their best effort to ensure everything is right.

The hats and pens were distributed to St. Joseph Primary Girls School and St. Joseph Girls High School in Hamirpur, Rourkela, by Sister Anna Mary and other Daughters of the Cross Sisters and the school teachers. Sister Anna Mary also sent pens to two other schools in the area. One is a school for young girls who one day may become a Daughters of the Cross Sister, looked after by Sister Prafulla, Sister Joy, and another school was the boys high school in Hamirpur, Rourkela looked after by Father Rajkumar.

You may be wondering what is so special about a hat and a pen? A hat with a wide brim shades you from the hot sun playing or working outside. With a pen you can dream, draw a picture or write a story or letter. It is also used as a tool for education.

Walt Disney was down on his luck at one time but he had a pen to dream and draw pictures. Look what he accomplished in his lifetime and to think it all started with a dream and a pen.

Below you will see a few photos sent to me from Sister Anna Mary. It was a small but important project for children and it started here with a donation from Karen and extended all the way to the school classrooms of India. Sister Anna Mary did write one thing about the pens and hats I want to share with you.

Dear Mr.Ray, pens given out in big blue school class VI students. They were very happy to receive the pens from Foreign, and also the hats from America. I also had enough new pens to give to the teachers. Everyone was very Happy.



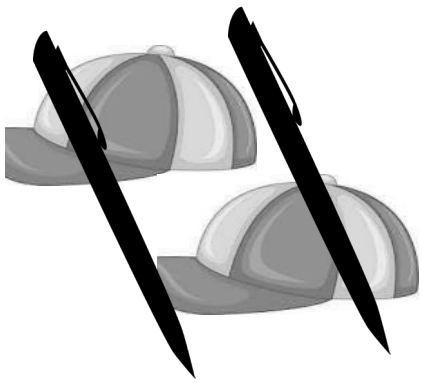












Halloween Candy from the USA to India, Nepal, Ukraine – 2025

Over 200 pounds of Halloween candy from St. John School in Boston, MA as well as St. John School in Wellesley, MA. The children at each school give the Halloween candy from their hearts and have been doing it for many years.

The Halloween Candy Program started in 2005 and continues to this day. The collection of the candy is managed by Katy McDonagh along with the Principals and staff of each school, and Ms. Annmarie Quezada and Mrs. Nicole Blanchard in Boston, along with Mrs. Siobhan Mahoney in Wellesley. The dates for the candy collection are posted in each school and the children go all out, and are eager to donate to people in need through our hands at *Children are Angels from Heaven*.

This year we were given so much candy that we had enough to send to 17 places, with some places receiving multiple boxes of candy.

Here is the list of our donations.

1. Pine Haven Boys Center, Pembroke, NH
2. Pittsfield Youth WorkShop, Pittsfield, NH
3. Suncook Valley Senior Center, Allenstown, NH
4. For the Troops, Simi Valley, CA
5. Pittsfield Senior Center, Pittsfield, NH
6. Operation Shoe Box, For the Troop, Belleview, FL
7. Pine Street Inn, Boston, MA
8. Soldiers Angels, San Antonio, TX
9. Cape Cod for the Troops, Harwich, MA
10. Alton Food Pantry, Alton, NH
11. Dover Children's Home, Dover, NH
12. Home for Little Wonderers, Boston, MA
13. St. Francis House, Boston, MA
14. Helping Hands Ministry, Tulsa, OK
15. Common Man for Ukraine: Three boxes sent to Ukraine
16. St. Joseph Convent School, Orissa, India, Two boxes
17. Christalaya Convent in Nepal , Two boxes

My hopes were to have all the Halloween candy arrive by Thanksgiving in the USA , and by Christmas with our International shipping. I cannot tell you why, but the International boxes sent to India and Nepal were sent to Des Moines, Iowa and Memphis, Tennessee. Both boxes were delayed by one month and arrived in mid-January 2026. The good news is after phone calls to the USPS by me, both boxes arrived to the Sisters in each country with no problem or damage except for a delay in their arrival.

I have a few photos that I would like to share with you of the Halloween candy.

One, how the Halloween candy arrives in many bags and boxes from the schools. Two, how Patty inspects every piece of candy and sorts it all out in many boxes to be mailed to many places in the world. Three, the Sisters opening the boxes of Candy in India and Nepal and handing it out along with the Pittsfield, NH Youth Workshop making gingerbread houses with the candy.





Patty, sorting and packing the Halloween candy in the USA





Candy arrival in Rourkela, India









Candy arrival in Nepal





Candy at the Pittsfield, NH Youth Workshop

Christmas Tree for a School in India – 2025

This story is to report back to you a very nice story of a Christmas tree delivered to a small school in India in December 2025. The school is St. Joseph School in Murkia, India. It is the same school where Steve Powers Park was constructed.

With a lot of help from Dibyendu in India, Anwesha Ray in Germany, and Sister Josline at St. Joseph's in Murkia this project worked out perfect.

Trust me, you do not just call up and order a beautiful artificial Christmas tree in India if you are not from India. It takes many hands to do it right.

Each year our Christmas tree is ordered from South India about six to eight weeks from Christmas to make sure it arrives on time and also to make sure of any shipping problems. I would rather have the tree arrive early every year to eliminate all the unknowns, as it has to travel many miles to remote areas each year.

Dibyendu looks after everything that has to do with the Christmas tree to get it to its destination, while Anwesha looks after all the Christmas decorations for the tree for when the it arrives at the school for the Children to decorate it for the Christmas Holiday. My job is to look after the funding of the project with YOUR donated funds with current exchange rates and to make sure all the paperwork is in the proper order.



This year Sister Josline took delivery of the Christmas tree when it arrived at the school and made it a very joyous time for everyone. She also sent me photos to share the happy moment with all of you here who help me. I can tell you that everything coordinated great this year with not one problem.

Below in photos, you will see everything A to Z starting with the delivery of the Christmas tree to the Convent in Murkia.

Thank You to **everyone** for your help and support to make this Christmas tree story happen every year, bringing happiness and smiles to another part of the world.









Happy Holidays and Happy New Year

It's hard to believe, but here we are at the end of 2025 celebrating Christmas and the many other holidays at this time of year like Hanukkah and Kwanzaa. They may all be on different timings of the month but one thing, everyone in the world shares is a Happy New Year on January 1, 2026.



The past year was a very hard year for *Angels* with the passing of my good friend Steve Powers, the transfer of Sister Mary to Italy, and the transfer of Sister Shanti to Southern India. All three of them helped us help the poor in so many different ways. I miss all three of them very much. Sister Mary and Sister Shanti are still here and in time they will help us again with our work. My friend, Steve Powers, is now gone forever. I will miss him and the thousands of hours he spent helping *Children are Angels*, helping the kids, and looking after the Facebook page. May Steve rest in peace until we meet again.



As all of you know, December is a very busy time for *Children are Angels from Heaven.* With your help I do my very best this time of year to try and help as many people I can, all over the world in some small way, even if it's just to bring a smile.



Our work is still in progress for Christmas and some of the work is not finished, but I will tell you a little about this year's work. With the help of two schools St. John in Wellesley, MA and St. John in Boston with a Halloween candy drive, I had so much candy this year, I shipped it all over the USA in many boxes to soup kitchens, Veterans Homes including Senior Centers, and after school Youth Workshops. With the help of the US Post Office, seven big boxes of candy were sent to International countries, two boxes to Nepal, two boxes to Rourkela, India and three boxes were sent to Eastern Ukraine. I also sent a huge donation box to Nepal with the candy and used shoes and sandals along with some dolls. The box is now in Nepal on its way to the Sisters at a Convent to give to the children.



Locally, we have bought many toys for Toys for Tots again, as well as a Secret Santa Program in a small town. We also bought big tote bags for the mothers of the children at Christmas in the City as well as helping children at the Youth Workshop in Pittsfield, NH build Gingerbread Houses with our donated candy. There is so much more to all this Charity work but for now, I **Thank You** from the bottom of my heart for your helping support the children every year.



Children are Angels from Heaven and Other Charities

Children are Angels from Heaven reaches out each year to support as many projects as it can, not only in India but also in the United States. We were happy to be a part of these special charities this year.

1. Toys for Tots Drive at Christmas
2. Guide Dogs of America providing Guide Dogs to the Blind at no cost
3. St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
4. Aleppo Shriners Children's Transportation Fund
5. The American Cancer Society
6. The Special Olympics
8. The American Red Cross
9. American Heart Association
10. Women United Around the World
11. Christmas in the City
12. Muscular Dystrophy Association

It is directly because of your generosity, that *Children are Angels from Heaven* can reach out to help these worthwhile charities each year.

Kiwanis
Medford, MA

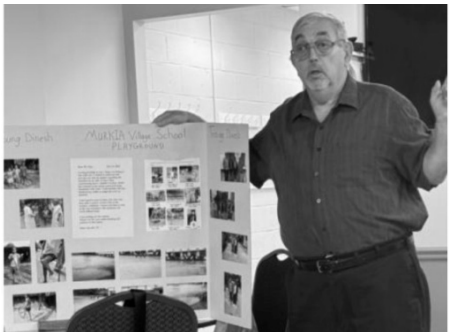
If ever there was a Civic Club that supported *Children are Angels from Heaven* every single year since we started this charity work, it would be the Medford, MA Kiwanis Club. Every single year in the summer, I get an invitation to join the Kiwanis Club and meet all the members, have a nice

meal and then talk about our *Angels* work that was done the previous year and what we hope to do in the future. It really hits me in my heart that the Medford, MA Kiwanis Club members remember me each year. The Kiwanis Clubs all over the world help children, and I might add they all do a wonderful job. *Thank You* Medford, MA Kiwanis Club for all you do every year with all your programs helping children.

Rita introduced me for *Children are Angels from Heaven* and said they have supported this organization for many years and our annual donation is $500. The money helps pay for Ray's travels to India to help youngsters with school sponsorships, supplies, playground equipment, all things toward education. I thanked the club from the bottom of my heart for their donation and support and finished by distributing carved elephants for their members.

Medford, MA Kiwanis Club
"OUR MISSSION"

Our mission is to impact lives of children in a positive way. We are an integral part of the Medford Community providing our members friendship and fulfillment through service and philanthropy for the benefit of the children.





Rotary Suncook Valley
Barnstead
Chichester
Epsom
Loudon
Pittsfield

Another Civic Club and members that supports *Children are Angels from Heaven* every year is the New Hampshire Suncook Valley Rotary Club. This club and its members live in the beautiful Suncook Valley of central New Hampshire. The club's members work very hard all yearlong to accomplish projects in their community as well as the world.

One fundraising event is the Suncook Valley Hot Air Balloon event held every August. The 45th Annual Suncook Valley Rotary Hot Air Balloon Rally is scheduled for August 6–8, 2027, the first full weekend of August at Drake Field in Pittsfield, NH.

Another nice event the Suncook Valley Rotary Club holds is a Penny Sale in November. It is always a great time with all the donations and try to win something. This year's date is November 7, 2026.

Rotary is a service organization which brings people together to provide humanitarian service and promote peace and goodwill throughout the world. Their Motto is *Service Above Self.* All the members work very hard and whatever they do, it is always for the good of the community or the world. It makes me feel honored and proud that they reach out to help *Children are Angels from Heaven* with our work to help poor children.

In late 2025, I was making a Christmas toy donation at the Pittsfield local fire station where Rotary member, Jeremy Yeaton, is a Lieutenant Officer of the department. After I gave Jeremy the big box of toys for the children of the community, Jeremy reached in his pocket and handed me a very unexpected generous check and told me it was from Fallon Reed, President of the Suncook Valley Rotary Club, and all the members of the club. I was shocked! Jeremy told me that *Children are Angels from Heaven* does good work and the Suncook Valley Rotary Club is happy to be a part of our work.



Can Tabs



The total of can tabs collected for 2025 was six pounds. Our grand total for the past few years is now 330 pounds. The tabs were again turned over to Mr. Lloyd Wentzel who is a member of the Aleppo Shriners. The Shriners turn the tabs in for scrap metal and use the funds to help the Shriners Hospitals. These hospitals help children free of charge, and they do a great job. I give all of you a challenge; get a small plastic bag and fill it with tabs and when it is full send the bag to me. You will find out how hard it is to do. Your effort will help a child in need at the Shriners Hospitals. A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped with this project. To find more information regarding the Shriners or the Can Tabs, check out this web site: https://alepposhriners.com/childrens-transportation-fund/

Deposit Cans

Here are the totals for deposit cans for 2025 and the **Grand** overall total. I am sure you will be surprised when you see the numbers. I have worked hard on this project just about every afternoon, counting thousands of cans and bottles that are given to me from many people and businesses. It is not easy work, but I do what I have to do to raise funds to help the kids. Total cans collected in 2025 was 2,880 for a cash total of $144.00. Our Grand Total since we started this program is a total of 231,760 cans and bottles collected for a **Grand Cash Total of $11,588.01.**

Non - Profit Status

We are a tax deductible and legal non-profit organization. Our International Revenue Foundation Status Classification is 501 C (3). This was done by our accountant, Mr. Robert Johnston, CPA of 444 Washington St., Boston, MA.1-617-787-8520.

Rob has done everything for us from A to Z with not one cent accepted as payment. Rob suggested right from the start that the bookkeeping be accurate and available for review by the IRS at any time. Rob also suggested all purchases or payments be made with check or credit card only. Rob has also helped us in many other ways to become what we are today. He is a great guy! If you ever need tax help, he is the man to help you.

A Few Letters

Dear Ray,
Here are the Can Tabs I've collected over the year. I hope your 2026 is starting off to be a good year for you and your family. God Bless all your efforts
Toni & Kent

Dearest Ray,
Thank You for all my treasures from India… I will take care of them always because they remind of the amazing work you do every day to help so many.
Taxi Angel

Hi Ray,
God gave me another year and I am so lucky to have a friend like you.
Rekha

Dear GodPa Ray,
With gratitude in our hearts, we wanted to give you this gift to *Children are Angels from Heaven.* We thank God for all his Blessings he has given us.
Love
Joanna & Alan

Dear Ray,
Use this donation for the man that lost his wife, with the two small children and use it where you know best.
Fred

Ray,
Please accept this donation to be used on anything you feel is appropriate for the kids.

Thank you for all you do. It's easy to see why my Dad loved you so dearly and thought so highly of you.
With Love
Alicia

Dear Ray,
Here is the latest batch of Can Tabs … They are from Joe, Geri and Anthony & Me
Kathy

Hi Ray,
Here is a donation in Memory of my Dad David and also for Tiny… I still have all those Can Tabs for you too… I will drop them off to you soon after mud season in NH.
Kim

Dear Ray,
Thank You for the Blessed work that you are doing.
Susan & Anthony

Dear Ray,
Thank You for being such a light in the world, you make such a meaningful difference in the lives of so many.
Jennifer

Ray,
Thank You for your annual update on Children are Angels. I immensely admire your devotion to do this good work.
Carolyn

In Closing

As I sit and write the final remarks of this newsletter, I look back and smile thinking about all the people who have helped us do charity work for the poor, not just this year, but for many years.

Each year brings more projects and people to help reach out to help others in need. This is what truly makes me continue. There is happiness we can bring to others when it might be needed the most.

We are not a money driven charity. No requests for donations are made. Instead, we are a charity about helping people and let our work speak for itself. Yes, I need funds to accomplish projects, but I took a lesson from Mother Teresa. I do what I can, with what I have, to help others in need. Sometimes it may be a big project, like a playground, or sending a Christmas tree to a school, a box of candy to a shelter, and other times, it may just be visiting children and talking to them to make them laugh and have fun.

With this charity work comes the people to help. I cannot name names as it would be never ending. There are people in front of the curtain but others behind the curtain making it all come together. Do you honestly think I could ever get this work done by myself? The answer is abig **NO**. It takes many people to get it done on both sides of the world and for this, I am very grateful.

I would like to say a huge **THANK YOU** for keeping *Children* alive and help the poor every year or we would be nothing.

It is **YOU** who make all the stories not me. I am only the writer. Please look up the Angels newsletters or current events on our web site *Childrenareangels.org.* Look at all we have done over the years, every newsletter and story is listed.

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Your Loving Family

In Memory of a Kind and Generous Person



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In memory of
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who loved to help others, especially those most in need.

In Memory of
1st Lieutenant



1943 1968

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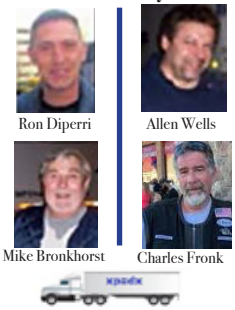
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1971-2023

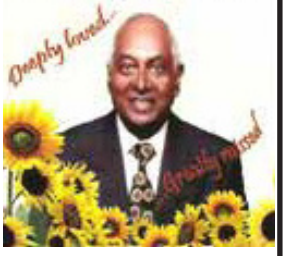
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Her Son
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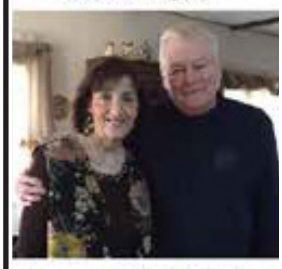
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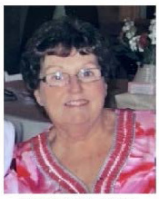
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