2019 Share-a-Coat Program

Boulder Valley Rotary Club   **Art Cleaners**

January 8, 2019 - Boulder, Colorado - The Boulder Valley Rotary Club and Art Cleaners teamed up once again for the 28th annual coat drive collection and distribution. With the help of many community members, nearly 3,000 coats and other winter garments such as sweaters, snowsuits, hats, gloves, scarves and boots were collected through various Boulder and Broomfield County schools and businesses. These winter garments were cleaned, sorted and distributed earlier this winter to people in need through the following charitable organizations:

Boulder County Transistion Center   Family Learning Center
Boulder County Aids Project   Family Self Sufficiency
Boulder County Health and Human Servics Mesa Vista
Boulder County Head Start   Nederland Clothing Closet
Boulder Day Nursery   A Precious Child
Colorado Friendship   Safehouse Progressive Alliance
Deascons Closet   There with Care
EFAA   Voices for Children (CASA)

The following schools and businesses helped collect the winter garments:

Bear Creek Elementary	Eldorado K-8	Manhattan Middle
Bixby School	Fairview High	Mesa Elementary
Boulder High	Flatirons Elementary	Nederland Elementary
Broomfield Heights	Foothill Elementary	New Vista High
Broomfield High	Heatherwood Elementary	Nevin Platt Middle
Casey Middle	High Peaks/BCSIS	Southern Hills Middle
Centennial Middle	Horizons K-8	Summit Charter Middle
Community Montessori	Jamestown Elementary	Superior Elementary
Crestview Elementary	Jarrow Montessori	University Hill Elementary
Douglass Elementary	Kohl Elementary	
Eisenhower Elementary	Louisville Elementary	Watershed School
	Louisville Middle	Whittier Elementary

This is an all volunteer effort. Boulder Valley Rotary members collected, sorted and distributed the coats and Art Cleaner donated the cleaning services.

In addition, the Boulder Valley Rotary Club provides a cash prize to the schools which collect the most coats per student in three categories based on school size:

1st place - $150
2nd place - $100
3rd place - $50

School contest winners are:

Small Schools (less than 350 students)
Jamestown Elementary - 1st place
Nederland Elementary – 2nd place
Jarrow Montessori – 3rd place

Medium Schools (350-550 students)
Douglas Elementary – 1st place
Louisville Elementary – 2nd place
Nevin Platte Middle School – 3rd place

Large Schools (more than 550 students)
Broomfield Heights Middle School – 1st place
Eldorado K-8 – 2nd place
High Peaks BCSIS - 3rd place

Congratulations to each of these schools who will be receiving a check in the mail shortly. The schools may either use the cash prize for their school improvement or elect to donate the prize money to an organization of their choice. The Boulder Valley Rotary is helping to support the following organizations this year:

- **Mental Health Partners**   https://www.mhpcolorado.org
- **Family Learning Center**   http://www.flcboulder.org/

Thanks to everyone who helped make this coat drive a success! Without your help, this program would not be possible!