

Harmony Hill School Charity of Choice Monthly Giving Program



(Pictured left to right) Marcy Feeney - Art Teacher for HHS, Elaine Birrell - Director of Hands That Heal RI, and Jennifer Kohanski – Development Coordinator for HHS

Thank you to everyone at Harmony Hill School that donated towards the Hands That Heal RI pet food & supplies collection over the past several months. We were able to collect a good amount of food, supplies, and funds for this local organization, and they were very grateful for our support and generosity. The Director of Hands That Heal RI, Elaine Birrell (pictured below) expressed her gratitude to us for Harmony Hill's support, especially at this time of year when these donations are greatly needed. Special thanks to the students of HHS for their help delivering our donations! Thank you to Mrs. Feeney for organizing this fundraising effort with Hands That Heal RI!

Hands That Heal RI is an organization of passionate animal lovers who volunteer their time and skills to ensure all animals are cared for and no owner is forced to give up a pet because of financial hardship. They believe that every pet deserves a loving home, and a happy and healthy life. They also distribute food to owners needing help feeding their pets. Please visit The Hands That Heal RI Website for more information about this wonderful organization <http://www.hthri.org/> .

Charity of Choice Background Info:

As an agency Harmony Hill School discussed various ideas in which we as an organization could give back to the local community in a number of ways. Over the past two years we have worked with the community to identify needy recipients or “Charities of Choice” throughout this local area where we as staff and students do our part to raise awareness, money, and items through dress down days, donations, toy drives, bake sales, etc. to support them. As an agency we have done an amazing job donating to The Tomorrow Fund over the past 13 years through our dress down Fridays. We will continue to support to The Tomorrow Fund every year during the month of February as they will be our designated “Charity of Choice” for that Month.

Each month throughout the year Harmony Hill School will choose a different local charity or cause to support. “We teach our students about the importance of giving back to others in a variety of ways. Through this program we are able to lead by example, while supporting many worthy local charities that impact our community in such a positive way,” explained Harmony Hill School President and CEO, Eric A. James. Some of the local charities that we have supported include: The Gloucester Food Pantry, American Cancer Society, Hands That Heal RI, Rally for Ryan, The Tomorrow Fund, Gloucester Police Annual Holiday Toy Drive, and the Rhode Island Community Food Bank.