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## HFD seeks community donations for second annual Coats for Kids drive

*Coats can be dropped off at fire stations, public safety building starting Oct. 1*

HARRISONBURG, Va. – The Harrisonburg Fire Department is once again calling on the generosity of The Friendly City to help keep local kids warm this winter.

The department's second annual HFD Winter Coat Drive will kick off Oct. 1, with donations of new, unused winter coats needed for students ages elementary to high school. Coats can be delivered to the Harrisonburg Public Safety Building at 101 N. Main St. in Downtown, or at any of the City's four fire stations.

Last year's event, which sought to collect 100 coats in its inaugural season, resulted in more than 200 coats going to children in Harrisonburg schools. This year, HFD is hoping to surpass those numbers with at least 250 donations.

"Our community is deeply committed to helping others in need," HFD Chief Matthew Tobia said. "We are sincerely grateful for the opportunity to help kids stay warm."

Coat donations are due by Oct. 31. Participating fire stations are located at:

- HFD Station 1 – 80 Maryland. Ave.
- HFD Station 2 – 380 Pleasant Valley Road
- HFD Station 3 – 299 Lucy Drive
- HFD Station 4 – 210 E. Rock St.

Anyone with questions can call HFD staff at 540-432-7703.

*The **Harrisonburg Fire Department** is an ISO-Class II All-Hazards agency providing essential emergency and non-emergency life safety services to the public who live, work and travel in Harrisonburg. More information about the Fire Department is available on-line at [www.harrisonburgva.gov/fire](http://www.harrisonburgva.gov/fire) or on Facebook®, Twitter® and Instagram®.*

*The **City of Harrisonburg** is centrally located in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. It is home to 51,000 people. More information about the City of Harrisonburg is online at [www.HarrisonburgVA.gov](http://www.HarrisonburgVA.gov).*



*(Above) Participants in last year's HFD Coats for Kids drive drop off donations at Harrisonburg High School. With so many donations from a generous community, Santa's gift bag could barely hold all the coats.*