

# **LVSD Foundation - Annual Newsletter (2015)**

A review of the past year.

# **Awarded Grants**

#### **Academics**

# Ongoing Programs

#### Kidz Kare Fund

This program continues to provide necessary items to children in the district who aren't having their basic needs met.

Under the Kidz Kare Fund, the Kidz Closet program has continued to provide clothing to local families in need.

#### Food 2 Go 4 Kids

With the new school year underway, the Food 2 Go program is back up and running. The distribution of food has resumed on a weekly basis. We started the school year packing 75 bags for distribution. We're looking to top out around 100 bags during this school year. The new team of middle school students who pack the bags (see picture below) have picked right up where last year's left off. They've caught the vision of caring for those less fortunate. This program is continuing to make a lasting impact.

# Coming soon....Books 2 Go!

This program will provide a book to the students who participate in Food 2 Go. More details forthcoming.



## **STEM Laser Engraver**

We assisted in the purchase of a Laser Engraver to be used as part of the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) curriculum. The students will learn how to manufacture and customize products with the machine. These products are then used in conjunction with the RAMS Project (Recognizing Amazing Merchants



and Students), which is a partnership between students of the Ligonier Valley School District and local merchants. Students learn entrepreneurial skills in a real-world setting by creating a variety of products and marketing them to merchants. The merchants sell the student-made products in their stores throughout the year.

# Washer/Dryer

A washer and dryer was purchased for use in the Life Skills Room. The Life Skills Room teaches students certain skills needed in real life such as cooking, household skills and now with our assistance, laundry skills!

## **Chemistry III Course Material**

Copies of the book "Napoleon's Buttons" were purchased for the class.

#### **Arts**

# **Band Uniform Fundraiser**

Our largest project of the year was spearheading a fundraising campaign for the high school marching band to purchase new uniforms. Their previous uniforms



were purchased used in 1994! We worked in collaboration with the School District, Band Boosters, and the Ligonier Valley Chamber of Commerce to organize fundraising activities at various local events. We also spread the word of the need for the uniforms

#### **Athletics**

#### **Football Headsets**

We assisted in the purchase of a new communication system for the football team's coaching staff. As of the time printing of this newsletter, the football team is undefeated!

Visit our website to learn more about the Foundation and to make a donation.

Your support is used to support these great causes and is greatly appreciated!