



National Network of Resource Centers

The Kids In Need Foundation supports a national network of 25 Resource Centers, or free stores, that benefit needy children by welcoming teachers from low-income schools to shop for school supplies for their students and for classroom supplies and teaching aids for themselves. There is no charge to the donors, students, or Resource Centers for these supplies. Product available to teachers is provided through monetary and in-kind donations made by generous companies such as 3M, Dixon Ticonderoga Company, MWV, OfficeMax, Inc., Staples, and Target.

Who is allowed to shop at the Resource Centers? Shopping is open to teachers from pre-qualified schools in designated school districts. These schools must have at least 70% of their student body enrolled in the federal free and reduced lunch program.

What types of merchandise are available at the Resource Centers?

Kids In Need makes every effort to have basic school supplies – pencils, paper, pens, crayons, markers, glue sticks – available at all times. Because we receive donations from many different companies, other materials available at the Centers vary and can include incentives, educational toys and crafts, children's books, art supplies, and more.

How does the Kids In Need Foundation obtain merchandise?

The Foundation actively solicits donations year-round in the form of excess inventory, outdated or misprinted product, tradeshow merchandise, and cash donations. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law, which in some cases means up to two times the manufacturer's cost.



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The Kids In Need Foundation is a national 501(c)(3) charitable organization founded in 1995. The Foundation's mission is to ensure that every child is prepared to learn and succeed by providing free school supplies nationally to students most in need. The Kids In Need National Network of Resource Centers includes 25 facilities that allow teachers from low-income schools to obtain free school supplies for their students. In addition, Kids In Need Teacher Grants provide K-12 educators with funding to provide innovative learning opportunities for students. The Foundation has distributed more than \$300 million in school supplies since its founding, directly benefiting 1.6 million students and 100,000 teachers annually, and has awarded more than \$1 million in grants to teachers. The Foundation has received Charity Navigator's highest four-star rating for two consecutive years, indicating that it executes its mission in a fiscally responsible way and outperforms most other charities in America. For more information, visit www.kinf.org. Follow Kids In Need Foundation on Twitter, <http://twitter.com/kidsinneed>.



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