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Aislyn and Falgarwood help after Harvey

Aislyn Ahrens is a nine-year-old Falgarwood Public School student, who has made it her initiative to donate 1,000 new packages of crayons, pencil crayons, markers and colouring books to the children who were affected by Hurricane Harvey.

In August, Aislyn was watching the news with her grandfather where the top story was Hurricane Harvey. She was deeply affected by this and couldn't believe that all of those families had to leave their homes — leave everything behind. She also saw the shelters where all of these families evacuated to, to be safe. She noticed the children looked bored and that they didn't have anything to do there. Aislyn knew she could help.

Aislyn's favourite past time is colouring and drawing and she knows that when she does this, it brings a smile to her face. She decided the children who lost everything in the hurricane needed to smile again. She wanted to donate 'colours' in hopes that she could put a smile on the faces of these children who have lost their smiles.

Aislyn set a goal to donate 1,000 new packages to the children affected by Hurricane Harvey. She has set up a donation drop-off area in the library at her school, Falgarwood Public School.

All donations will be sent to Hilliard Elementary School in Houston, Texas. These stu-



Aislyn Ahrens, 9, of Falgarwood Public School is working to assist the child victims affected by Hurricane Harvey. Her school community is supporting her hard work.

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dents are still not back in their school building as it was badly damaged by the flood. They are attending school at an alternate building.

We wish to send donations by the first week of December.

— submitted by Falgarwood Public School

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