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## PRESS RELEASE

## **UPDATE:** Coat Drive Yields Another Record Number of Coats

December 9, 2016 - With your help, Washington County Sheriff's Office Volunteers collected 1,087 new and gently used coats and about 120 additional items such as socks, scarves and gloves for people in need here in Washington County. Thank you to all who participated and gave warmth. And a special "thank you" to all of the Washington County Sheriff's Office Volunteers that continue to make this program a success.

#### **Original release below:**

# Coat Drive Helps Foster Children and Their Families Keep Warm in Winter

October 28, 2016 — The need has never been greater and it's never been easier to make a difference in your community. Here is your opportunity to make sure local foster children and their families don't go without such a basic necessity as a coat this winter.

Washington County is collecting **new or clean and gently used coats and jackets** as part of the *One Warm Coat* community service project. Coats of all shapes and sizes are welcome. This year the donation of children's coats is especially encouraged. *One Warm Coat* is dedicated to distributing reusable coats, free of charge, directly to local children and adults. The program is an easy way for you and your family to pass along coats and jackets that you no longer need.

Washington County has made donating a coat simple. Just bring your coats and jackets to one of the following locations during their regular business hours:

- Public Service Building Lobby, 155 N. First Avenue, Hillsboro (Mon-Fri 8am-5pm)
- Sheriff's Office Hillsboro Headquarters, 215 SW Adams Avenue, Hillsboro (Sun-Sat 8am-9:30pm)
- Sheriff's Office East Precinct and Washington County Elections, 3700 SW Murray Boulevard, Beaverton (Mon-Fri 8am-5pm)
- Sheriff's Office Bethany Precinct, 4576 NW Bethany Blvd, Suite L5, Portland (Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm)
- Land Use and Transportation, 1400 SW Walnut Street, Hillsboro, OR (Mon-Fri 8am-5pm)
- Cornelius Police Department, 1311 N. Barlow Street, Cornelius, OR (Mon-Fri 8am-5pm)
- City of Banks, 13680 NW Main Street, Banks, OR (Mon-Fri 8am-1pm)



Coats will be collected from now until **Friday**, **December 2**, **2016**. Then Washington County will take care of the rest. All donated coats will be given to Foster Closet, who will distribute them at no cost to foster children and foster families.

One Warm Coat is national non-profit organization that supports and encourages coat drives. It helps individuals, groups, companies and organizations across the country collect coats and deliver them to local agencies that distribute the coats free to people in need. More than one million coats have been provided to those in need at no cost since its inception in 1992.

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