



Items Needed

- Chicken noodle soup
- Cream of chicken soup
- Cream of mushroom soup
- Cream of celery soup
- Tomato soup
- Vegetable beef soup
- Chicken broth
- Chili
- Lima beans
- Tomato sauce
- Spaghetti sauce
- Rotel
- Diced tomatoes
- Crackers/bread crumbs
- Cookie mix
- Brownie mix
- Muffin mix
- Gravy mix
- Cooking oil
- Tea
- Hot chocolate
- Sugar
- Oatmeal
- Cereal
- Pop-tarts
- Ziplock bags
- Foil
- Wax paper
- Plastic wrap
- Toilet tissue
- Paper towels
- Styro cups/plates
- Coffee



Hope you have a special day.

JUSTIN	5- 1-00
CURTIS (Staff)	5- 4
KELLIE (Staff)	5-15
LYNN (Staff)	5-16
ADILEIGH	5-31-07
LEVI	6- 7-05

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MAY/JUNE 2019

A Ministry of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home



Home HAPPENINGS

"Providing a *Loving* Home for *Hurting* Children."

CONGRATULATIONS, JUSTIN!



We are proud to announce the high school graduation of Justin Skelton from Winfield City High School. Justin, who has been a part of the Home since he was in Kindergarten, will receive his diploma on May 24, 2019. After a month of leadership training with Truth & Peace this summer, he will attend Welch College in Gallatin, TN. He plans on becoming a teacher, specifically in conjunction with mission projects.

On April 24-25, 2019, Justin traveled to Montgomery, AL. to receive the "Alabama Young Heroes Award" given by Alabama Public Television. The award is for students who have excelled in academics, given of themselves through public service, overcome adversity, or inspired others through their deeds and strength of character. Ms. Lucinda Beddow suggested to the Home's Director to nominate Justin. She did and he was one of the five selected. Each student received a trophy, a Chromebook laptop, and a \$5000 scholarship. While in Montgomery the young heroes were recognized by both the Alabama House of Representatives and the Alabama Senate. APT filmed segments with each of the winners. The footage will be used in a future program to be aired by APT. The APT Heroes program should air sometime in June. We will try to let everyone know exact date and time by way of a Facebook post. As Director Mitchell said about Justin, "We are beyond proud!"



Join us in praying for Justin as he begins his adult life. May God keep His hand on him and use him greatly in the years ahead!



Return Service Requested

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Eldridge, AL 35554





MANDY MITCHELL

DIRECTOR'S DESK

During a conversation with a man yesterday about the state of families these days, he talked about being raised by a single father. He talked about how hard it was, and how even as an almost 50 year old man, his heart still squeezes when he thinks about not really having a mom. This squeeze, is something that our residents know all too much about. He said his mom was never really a part of his life because of a battle with drugs. He recognizes how fortunate he was to have at least one stable parent who was constant in his life and led him in the right direction. He said of all the things in his life, his own family is the area where he just is not willing to fail. He is going to work and fight for it.

I so rarely hear people talk like this anymore. It seems as if no one wants to work hard for anything. We want to do what is simplest and requires the least amount of effort, and that includes our families. It is why divorce is so common, why everyone in the family is glued to a screen of some kind, and why teenagers are still throwing temper tantrums. What would happen if more people began to fight and work hard for the things they wanted?

One of the things we desire to instill in our residents is the need to work hard. Good things do not usually happen by accident. We do not want them to get caught up in the popular idea that the world owes them something because of what they have been through. They are not going to be successful by waiting around for someone to give them something. It is why we assign chores, have expectations for their school work, and insist on the use of manners and self-control. When you put in the effort, you can achieve something you can be proud of, despite and because of where they have come from. We pray that these lessons carry them on into their adult lives, with their own families.

Thank you, our supporters, for partnering with us every month as we work with these hurting children. You enable us to do what we do.

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NEEDED SCHOOL SUPPLIES

School opening will be here sooner than we often realize! The list provided below details what the schools request. There are also fees for items like lockers, sports, and computers. If you prefer, you can make a financial donation and designate it for school supplies and we will purchase the items. Any assistance you can provide is a blessing to us.

- Mechanical Pencils | Sharpies
- Earbuds/Headphones
- Index cards (3x5)
- Glue Sticks
- Clear Page Protectors
- Pens | Scotch Tape
- Highlighters | Expo Markers
- Washable Markers
- Scissors | Computer Paper
- Notebook Paper
- Clorox wipes | Kleenex
- Composition notebooks
- Pocket file folders
- 1 & 2 Inch Clear Front Cover Binders



Making a Splash

As the warmer weather approaches, one of the improvements on our campus will get plenty of attention. As a result of some planned gifts, we had the funds to purchase a new above ground swimming pool. This beautiful pool and fence replaces a pool that was over 25 years old! We are quite confident the new one will have lots of use during the heat of an Alabama summer.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP?



If you would like to help **Justin Skelton** as he graduates and steps out into adult life, may we make a suggestion? He has been saving up money from gifts and his part-time job in order to purchase an automobile before heading off to college. He has about half of what he would need to get a solid vehicle. You may make a financial gift to help him with this purchase. Send your gift to P.O. Box 8, Eldridge, AL 35554 marked "Attention Justin". We will make sure he receives it. Thank You!

HONOR ROLL

Great job. Keep up the good work!

JUSTIN | DANIEL | ANGEL | DALTON | LEXIE
BROOKLIN | AIDEN | CASON | SHAUN | KODA | LEVI



SPONSOR A CAMPER

Please consider sponsoring one of our children for summer camp. We are excited about helping all residents attend a quality Christian camp. A gift of \$125 meets a child's fees including snacks and activities. Hope you will consider being a sponsor. It is a great investment in a child's life. If you would like to help, send your donation, and be sure to earmark it for "camp".

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Below are memorial contributions from March/April 2019. We thank all those who honor their loved ones in this special way.

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PURPOSE

Free Will Baptist Children's Home is a ministry of the Alabama State Association of FWB's. As a non-profit organization, FWBCH provides a loving, home-like, Christian atmosphere for children struggling with life's challenges and turbulent domestic situations. Our task is to help children hurt by life to find faith in God and enter adulthood as responsible Christian men and women with a purpose in life.

The FWB Children's Home Newsletter is published six times per year to keep friends informed of current activities, programs, and service. If you have any questions, suggestions, or comments, please contact us.



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