

GOMPERS COAT DONATION

Giving back to the community in which we thrive has always been a very important piece of the Aluminum Supply and Marshall Sales family history. During the 63 years we have been in business in Detroit, we have contributed to many deserving programs, cultural centers, learning institutions and non profits. Our family recognizes the importance of keeping our dollars within the City so we can help support and nurture our next generation of leaders. Our passion for supporting our educational institutions started with one of our Founders, Robert T Marshall who established a scholarship program at Wayne State University's School of Engineering that continues to support students today. Our commitment did not stop there. After participating in the Leadership Detroit program offered through the Detroit Chamber of Commerce, we stumbled upon a gem in our own backyard that caught not only our attention, but our hearts.

Gompers Elementary School in Detroit is made up of a group of leaders, administrators, and teachers with such passion and compassion the likes we have never experienced before. A tour of the school while in session exposed the the commitment and dedication all involved has in creating a safe and nurturing learning environment for our children to learn in. We saw that they had all of the teaching, vision, and physical building needs required to make a school, but were lacking funds to complete the equation. That is when our family decided that we would adopt Gompers and try to supplement wherever we saw a need to help them achieve their safe, learning, nurturing, and inspirational environment. Every year we take it upon ourselves to supply winter jackets to the students of Gompers. Our own "coats for kids" so to speak to be sure every child attending Gompers has a jacket and can keep warm as they go to and from school each day. We don't want anyone to miss a day because they don't have a winter coat to keep them warm trying to attend school.

Robert Bob helped to inspire us to "adopt a school" and we try to support them throughout the year with school supplies, reading, mentoring, and our favorite piece which is the coats for kids. We would like to encourage everyone to join us in our mission to make this a success. We will be accepting coats (new) for children of elementary age. Also hats, mittens, school supplies (paper, pencils, Kleenex, hand sanitizer), and certainly monetary donations made out to Gompers Elementary School through November 23, 2012 to make it for our Thanksgiving celebration, but continuing throughout the year in support of the children. After all, need has no real begin or end.

The reward of a smile on a child's face when they are presented with a new jacket is priceless.

All contributions are tax deductible.

As always, we thank you for your support and your generosity.

Nancy Marshall, *President*