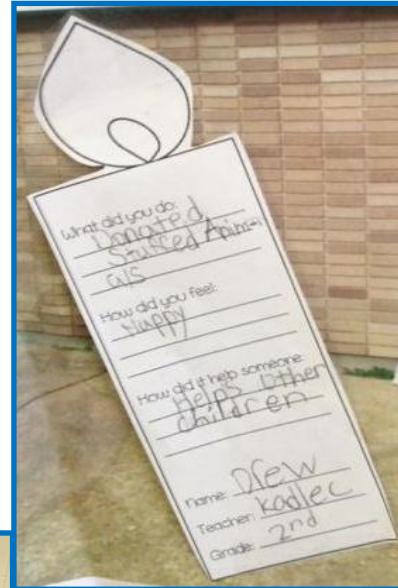




# Blades Elementary School Principle 5



"It felt good serving people. I was helping people who didn't have food and money to buy food." Kaitlyn- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Character Club Member after serving at a local soup kitchen



"I felt sad giving away my stuffed animals, but happy to know I would be making someone else feel better." Drew a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade student donated stuffed animals to the St. Louis County Police Department during Blades 40 minutes of service project.

Students at Blades initiated and participated in a school-wide donation drive for a local homeless shelter. As a staff we have encouraged and fostered this spirit of goodwill



The Bobcat Mile strengthens the home to school connection. 100% of the donations impact the classroom and school

"We wanted to help people so we planned for a month. We all decided to do Homes for the Homeless." Peyton- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Student who helped create a donation drive



First grade student Ethan wrote an essay about healthy lifestyles in the Dierbergs contest "Kids Bee Healthy". As a prize Ethan chose to purchase new soccer goals for recess because he saw a need to contribute to the Blades recess equipment to promote a healthy lifestyle.

"We run to raise money for our school to make the school better. We use the money for Smart Boards and laptops for our classrooms. We made a goal and we passed it!" Ellie and Kylie- 4<sup>th</sup> grade students reflecting on the Bobcat Mile

Blades Elementary School Touchstone  
Caring Bobcats, Changing Lives, It's Who We Are!