

# K.I.D.S.

## Hurricane Sandy Relief Efforts

### K.I.D.S. Sponsors Holiday Parties

Kids in Distressed Situations (K.I.D.S.) distributed more than \$9 million in new merchandise to help victims of Hurricane Sandy. Grammy Award winning singer/songwriter Ne-Yo and Newark Mayor Cory A. Booker helped hand-out all of the great toys from K.I.D.S. Thousands of children and families affected by Super Storm Sandy celebrated the joy of the holidays with new toys, apparel and books. The work of K.I.D.S. continues into 2013 as we rebuild and restock homes that were destroyed.

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### Hurricane Sandy Holiday Parties #1-4

Four K.I.D.S. parties were held in New York Public Libraries in Queens. At one party, we expected 200 children, but over 1,000 showed up. Many stood patiently in the rain waiting for a chance to come in to the holiday party. By the end of the day, we were able to rotate everyone through and all the children left with smiles on their faces.

### Hurricane Sandy Holiday Party #7

K.I.D.S. was able to bring a little holiday magic to Hurricane Sandy children at this Staten Island Party. There was no doubt in the minds of the 300+ children who attended the event that they held a special place in so many hearts. Special thanks goes out to Rite Aid for sending toys and giving their employees the opportunity to volunteer at this K.I.D.S. event.



### Hurricane Sandy Holiday Parties #5-6

Christmas came early for about 500 children at the Boys and Girls Club of Newark, New Jersey when R&B singer/songwriter Ne-Yo. The cheers of the kids and his great music in the background made this the loudest of our parties. Ne-Yo played Santa to every child there, posing for what seemed an endless amount of pictures and then sending them off with a toy, a hug and a great holiday memory.

### Hurricane Sandy Holiday Party #8

Thanks to generous donors, over 150 Breezy Point children and families received brand new gifts for the holidays. K.I.D.S. donated over 500 toys for Breezy Point families, which were distributed during the holiday party. To date, hundreds of Breezy Point families are displaced, but thanks to the efforts of so many, they are not alone.