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## **CLOTHING OUR KIDS (COK) PRESS RELEASE COK ONCE AGAIN RECEIVES A CARL M. FREEMAN FOUNDATION GRANT**

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In presenting the Grant, the Freeman Foundation said: “We applaud you for all that your organization does and the impact you bring every day.” The Carl M. Freeman Foundation, a private family foundation established in 1960, has a long history of supporting nonprofit organizations – both large and small. The Foundation commits its time, talent and treasure to facilitate, support and promote innovative community-based leadership and giving. Carl M. Freeman believed that to whom much is given, much is expected.

This Grant is fitting since the children served by Clothing Our Kids have little, and it’s the organization’s goal to assist them with an equal start in their early education and help them become successful students. COK has been blessed to be the recipient of Freeman Foundation Grants in the past, and the monies granted offer an opportunity for every child to achieve excellence. The ongoing support of good community partners such as the Freeman Foundation has allowed COK to expand into the Middle Schools. Those in 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades are as vulnerable and as much in need as their younger counterparts.

***As Founder Mary Rio recently said: “It’s not just about new clothes, it’s about a new life.”***

