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Good Sports, Inc. Provides Grant For Athletic Equipment

Enterprise, FL – [Good Sports, Inc.](#) has provided a grant to the Florida United Methodist Children's Home that allows them to use up to six (6) equipment requests over a two-year period. Good Sports works directly with the sporting goods industry to obtain a variety of athletic gear, apparel, and footwear. They store and distribute the brand-new equipment from their 37,000 square foot warehouse in Braintree, MA, to organizations all over the country, like the Children's Home as well as Parks & Recreation programs, schools, and Boys & Girls Clubs.

Good Sports drives equitable access in youth sports and physical activity, by supporting children in high-need communities to achieve their greatest potential, on the field and in life. Through donations of brand new sports equipment, apparel and footwear, their goal is to help youth-serving programs:

- Increase the total amount of youth participants
- Enhance the experience for all young people involved
- Create new opportunities in physical activity for the kids they serve

According to Marie Mazzula, Campus Life Administrator at the Children's Home, "A grant like this will have a considerable impact on our Recreation program, allowing more youth to participate in more activities than before. Our youth come from abusive and neglectful home environments, and the organized play and recreation supported by Good Sports is an important part of their recovery and growth."

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For more information about the Florida United Methodist Children's Home, please contact Mark Cobia, Director of Marketing and Communications at 386.668.4774 or mark.cobia@fumch.org.

The Florida United Methodist Children's Home was established in 1908 in Enterprise, Florida on the banks of Lake Monroe. The Madison Youth Ranch, a second residential location, was added in 2014 in North Florida. The Children's Home provides services to families and children from childhood to adulthood, and is accredited by COA (Council on Accreditation), EAGLE (a program of the United Methodist Association of Health and Welfare Ministries), and is a member of the Alliance for Children and Families. Our Residential Care Program provides care and a family style home for school-aged children who have been victimized by abuse, neglect or family trauma, and provides education, counseling, as well as recreation and ministry opportunities. The Children's Home also provides Foster

Care, an Emergency Shelter, an Independent Living Program as well as a Montessori-based early childhood program to the public through In As Much. The Children's Home is supported through the generosity of churches with the United Methodist Florida Conference, individuals and legacy gifts. For more information, visit www.fumch.org.

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Good Sports drives equitable access in youth sports and physical activity, by supporting children in high-need communities to achieve their greatest potential, on the field and in life. Since 2003, Good Sports has provided \$88 million in sports equipment, impacting over 9 million kids from more than 6,100 youth programs across the country. Good Sports has been awarded a coveted 4-star rating eight consecutive times from Charity Navigator, the nation's largest charity evaluator, for sound fiscal management, transparency, and accountability. Additionally, Good Sports holds the top-level Platinum seal from GuideStar, and is a Better Business Bureau Wise Giving Alliance accredited charity. To learn more or to get involved, please visit www.goodsports.org and follow Good Sports on Facebook [@GSportsInc](https://www.facebook.com/GSportsInc), Twitter [@goodsportsinc](https://twitter.com/goodsportsinc), Instagram [@goodsportsinc](https://www.instagram.com/goodsportsinc) and LinkedIn [@Good Sports, Inc.](https://www.linkedin.com/company/good-sports-inc)