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Coats-for-Kids Program in its Eighth Year

(Coulee Dam, Wash. November 17, 2008) – The Colville Tribal Enterprise Corporation (CTEC) recently purchased and delivered 120 winter coats to children who attend headstart in Keller, Nespelem, Paschal Sherman Indian School and Inchelium.

“I was surprised how nice they were,” said Darlene Zacherle, family service specialist for Keller headstart. “We were pleased with the selections and people were thankful, I’m glad families didn’t have to spend money they didn’t have.”

When delivering coats to the Keller headstart facility, two young children looked up at Gloria Joseph, executive secretary for CTEC, and gave her a hug. Joseph is a familiar face to these youngsters and staff as she has been in charge of the program since it began.

“The children had practiced a little skit to show us how to put on their coats butterfly style, and it was so touching to see each of them dancing around in their warm winter jackets,” said Joseph.

Joseph orders the coats and CTEC staff sorts and delivers them. CTEC has delivered approximately 985 coats since the program began.

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