



Dear Friends,

Our hearts go out to families in Moore and Oklahoma City who were affected by the devastating tornado on May 20. Amazing Kids! wants to help our members show their support to the kids from the affected schools! Our Amazing Kids! PenPals program is launching a new pen pals letter-writing campaign for kids called: "Amazing Kids! Cares For Oklahoma."

We are asking our young members to write letters addressed to "Dear Friend", which will be delivered by our Oklahoma-based Amazing Kids! Youth Ambassador Remmi Smith, age 12, and her mom Nancy, to the children whose schools and/or homes were demolished or damaged in the Oklahoma tornado.

### History of the Amazing Kids! PenPals Program

Our "Amazing Kids! Cares for Oklahoma" letter-writing campaign is a similar effort which thousands of our young members from around the world made to show their support for the youngest victims of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in the Gulf region in 2005.)

You can read the history of why and how our Amazing Kids! PenPals program got started and how your child, if not already a member, can join our Amazing Kids! PenPals program here: <http://amazingkids01.blogspot.com/2009/07/through-storm-amazing-kids-penpals.html>. And also here: [http://www.amazing-kids.org/old/ezone\\_26/special.penpal.php5](http://www.amazing-kids.org/old/ezone_26/special.penpal.php5).

You can also read some personal stories by kids who were survivors of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita describing their experiences here: <http://www.amazing-kids.org/old/akom12-05.html#top>.

(Please note these stories are not suitable for younger children, as they describe the trauma many of the children experienced during the hurricanes.)

We are delighted to announce that we will be working with our Amazing Kids! Youth Ambassador in Oklahoma, Remmi Smith, age 12, to deliver your children's letters to the children affected by the May 20 Oklahoma tornado!

Remmi is editor of our Amazing Kids! Magazine's "Cook Nook" column ([http://mag.amazing-kids.org/category/ak\\_columns/cook-nook/](http://mag.amazing-kids.org/category/ak_columns/cook-nook/)), and founder and host of the "Cooktime with Remmi" cooking show for kids ([cooktimewithremmi.com](http://cooktimewithremmi.com)),

If your child wishes to help by writing letter to a child in Oklahoma, please follow these guidelines:

1. Please do NOT send money or other items to Amazing Kids! Please only send letters from your children or students to the address listed below. Amazing Kids! does not have the ability to handle donated items. We will only able to deliver letters to the students from the tornado-affected schools in Oklahoma.
2. Please send your letters to the local Oklahoma address of our Amazing Kids! Youth Ambassador Remmi Smith, who, along with her mother Nancy Smith, will help us deliver your letters to the children affected by the May 20th tornado at:

Amazing Kids! Cares for Oklahoma  
C/o CookTime with Remmi  
[1611 South Utica #310](#)  
[Tulsa, Oklahoma 74104](#)

3. If you wish to donate disaster-relief funds or give blood to help the families, please consider donating to the Red Cross. A statement on the Red Cross

website, (<http://www.redcross.org/news/press-release/Red-Cross-Helping-Tornado-Victims-With-Shelter-Food-Supplies>) [RedCross.org](http://www.RedCross.org), says:

"People can donate by visiting [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org), calling [1-800-RED CROSS](tel:1-800-RED-CROSS) or texting the word REDCROSS to 90999 to make a \$10 donation. These donations help provide food, shelter and emotional support to those affected by disasters."

You can also donate to United Way Oklahoma's fund set up for the families' long-term needs at:

<http://www.unitedwayokc.org/news-media/governors-disaster-relief-fund>

Please let us know if you have any questions by sending an email to: [info@amazing-kids.org](mailto:info@amazing-kids.org) with "Oklahoma" in the subject line.

Thank you for helping join Amazing Kids! in showing our support for the youngest victims of the Oklahoma tornados! Together we can help put some much-needed smiles on these dear children's faces.

Kindest regards,

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