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Your generous end-of-year donations totaled nearly \$123,000. Along with thousands of gifts and essentials for the needy throughout our programs, you certainly succeeded in “making seasons bright.”

As your donations poured in, I recalled something I read recently; Oprah Winfrey recalled an experience that changed her understanding of giving. Her family was very poor and living on welfare when three nuns she didn't know brought food and toys for Christmas.

“The best gift [they gave me] wasn't the toys,” she said. “It was being able to give an honest answer when the other kids asked what I got for Christmas.”

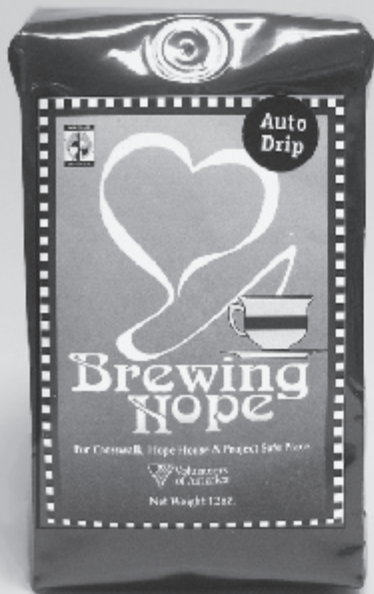
As your gifts poured in, I imagined the needy teens, women and families that would be able give an honest—and happy—answer when asked about their holidays.

“Everyone wants to matter,” Oprah continued, “[That year], three nuns I didn't know made me feel like I mattered.” This year, your donations—sneakers or baby toys, Discmans or a personal check—each gave the enormous gift of a sense of worth. You showed our kids and women that they matter.

Now, we want to remind you how much you matter to us. Please accept the coupon below for a free bag of our Brewing Hope coffee from Craven's. Also, we hope you will accept our invitation to come visit us, to see first hand all the good your gift is doing.



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