

## From the kindness of your hearts

During a site visit to a sewage lift station in Eastern Baghdad, the Aegis Reconstruction Liaison team met a young boy with severe birth defects which left him unable to walk. His only mode of transport was his 7-year-old sister, who had to carry him. His family lived in squalor, had no warm clothing and very few blankets.

The cost of distributing a wheelchair, blankets and a few toys was a mere \$300. This is an example of where donations from the GRD Enduring Impressions program are put to valuable use. The impact was reported by the team as;

“The initial scepticism of the local populous to the team’s presence soon changed to happy smiles and positive comments. One of the team members overheard two males referring to the team as “The good people who have come to help the disabled child”.

None of this would be possible without the support and donations from GRD personnel in Iraq, GRD personnel and their families at home in the United States, and from the Aegis Foundation. We thank you all. If you are interested in making a donation, or would like more information about our ongoing projects, please contact Sarah Smith or Kevin Halborg at [RCA@aegisirac.com](mailto:RCA@aegisirac.com)



*A young Iraqi handicapped child with his new transportation and toys from the GRD Enduring Impressions program.*



*Master Sgt. Ronaldo J Sanders, Operations Noncommissioned officer-in-charge, Gulf Region Central district, deliver toys to an Iraqi girl.*



*A pet therapy visit to the Combat Support Hospital in the International Zone brought smiles to children and adults.*