Liz's Birthday Closet: *Bringing Birthday Magic to Children in Need*



Sina Cristinzio, Founder, Liz's Birthday Closet

There's a special moment at the end of the "Happy Birthday" song, just before blowing out the candles, when someone often whispers, "Make a wish." For most children, that moment is full of joy and excitement, but imagine being a child who has never received a birthday gift—where the celebration is limited to a single cupcake with a candle.

This is where Liz's Birthday Closet steps in.

We are a nonprofit organization dedicated to bringing birthday joy to local children in need. ***We believe every child deserves a new birthday toy***. Our mission is to put God's love into action by helping parents and caregivers who, without assistance, would not have the resources to celebrate their child's special day. We strive to ensure that every child experiences the magic of a birthday they deserve—one filled with love, hope, and celebration.

Our Story

Liz's Birthday Closet was founded in memory of my daughter, Elizabeth Cristinzio. Elizabeth's deep faith and her passion for helping others inspired us to continue her legacy of kindness and service. Our organization is rooted in the belief that no child should feel forgotten on their birthday, and our team works tirelessly to make sure that each child's special day is memorable.

We collaborate with various local agencies and organizations throughout Bucks County. These partnerships helped us reach over **200 children** this year alone, ensuring that children in need receive the birthday celebration they deserve.

How We Help

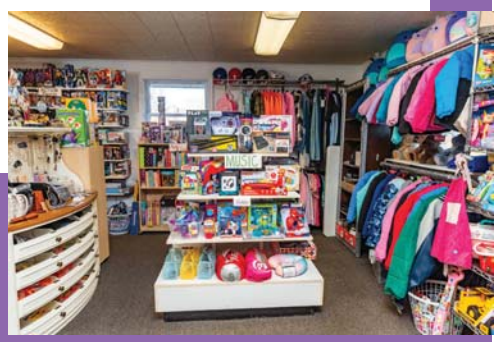
Our process begins when a family is referred to us through one of our partner agencies. Once a referral is received, we work closely with the parents or caregivers to select meaningful birthday gifts for each child, including toys, clothing, sporting goods, bicycles, and more. The goal is to create a personalized birthday experience that makes the child feel special and loved.

In addition to gifts, every child who comes through **Liz's Birthday Closet** receives a birthday kit that includes cake mix, frosting, candles, party decorations, and plates to ensure they have everything they need for a celebration. We also provide essential items like coats, backpacks, school supplies, toiletries, and undergarments to help support the family's needs.

Though we began with the goal of serving just one or two children each month, the response to our mission has been overwhelming. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we have been able to provide birthday magic to an overwhelming number of children from Bucks and Montgomery Counties. However, the demand for our services continues to grow. While we are currently unable to serve all the children who apply—particularly those who face transportation challenges to our Central Bucks County location—we remain hopeful that a solution to this issue will present itself in the near future.











Our Vision for the Future

As we look ahead to 2025, our goal is to expand our outreach so that we can serve even more children and families. The mission of **Liz's Birthday Closet** is simple yet profound: to ensure that every child gets to experience the joy of a birthday celebration, regardless of their circumstances. We are working toward a future where every child can have that "make a wish" moment—a moment filled with hope, love, and the belief that their birthday wish can come true.

How You Can Help

We are truly grateful for the outpouring of support we've received from individuals and businesses within our community. As a nonprofit, **Liz's Birthday Closet** relies on donations and volunteers to continue its work. Whether through monetary donations, birthday gifts, or volunteering your time, your support helps make these birthday dreams a reality for children in need. **Help us help others!**

If you would like to get involved, please visit our website at **lizsbirthdaycloset.org**, or contact us via email at **info@lizsbirthdaycloset.org** to learn more about how you can help.

With heartfelt thanks,
Sina Cristinzio
Founder, **Liz's Birthday Closet**
"Be still and know that I am God." —Psalm 46:10

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