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TITANIC MUSEUM ATTRACTIONS GIVES BACK THROUGH TWO-YEAR PARTNERSHIP WITH SAMARITAN'S FEET INTERNATIONAL

April 4, 2023 – Pigeon Forge, Tenn. – Titanic Museum Attractions and Samaritan's Feet International will host shoe distribution events on:

Wednesday, April 12

Boys and Girls Club / Kodak Branch 4pm - 6pm &

Thursday, April 13

Boys and Girls Club/ Pigeon Forge Branch 4pm - 6pm as part of Titanic Museum Attraction tribute to the 135 children on the RMS *Titanic*.

And the children of today.



According to Mary Kellogg-Joslyn, President/COO and Co-Owner of Titanic Museum Attractions, the partnership – kicking off a two-year initiative – will start with three shoe distributions, one in Branson, Mo., one in Kodak, Tenn., and one in Pigeon Forge, Tenn. The shoe distribution events will honor the 135 children aboard the RMS *Titanic* by providing local children with shoes and a message of hope and encouragement.

Crew members from the Titanic Museum Attraction in Pigeon Forge, Kellogg-Joslyn, and the founders of Samaritan's Feet International, Manny Ohonme, Co-Founder, President and CEO, and his wife, Tracie Ohonme, Executive Vice President, will be in attendance at April 12 and 13 events to help distribute shoes to children.

Kellogg-Joslyn says that when the Titanic Museum Attractions began developing 2023's "The Year of the Titanic Children," the team also wanted to find a way to give back.

As we dedicate our Titanic Museums to the 135 innocent children aboard the RMS *Titanic*, Samaritan's Feet International allows us to dedicate our museums to the children of today," said Kellogg Joslyn. "We are proud to announce a partnership that has been created with a non-profit whose mission aligns with elements of "The Year of the Titanic Children" campaign, one of which are the children's shoes that will be on display. Samaritan's Feet International, a Charlotte, North Carolina, non-profit organization that serves and inspires hope in children across the world by providing shoes, was the perfect fit."

According to Samaritan's Feet International, shoes and socks are in the top five items that students are in need of in the United States.

"Samaritan's Feet is honored to partner with Titanic Museum Attractions as they pay tribute to the children who were aboard the RMS *Titanic* through a special campaign over the next two years. Together, we will inspire hope in the lives of thousands of children in need across the home states of the Titanic Museum Attractions, in Tennessee and Missouri, by providing them with shoes and giving them the encouragement to follow their dreams. We are so grateful for partners like the Titanic Museum Attractions who are helping us reach our goal of serving 10 million people by the end of the year," said Manny Ohonme.

"Samaritan's Feet International has distributed shoes to more than nine million individuals across the United States and around the world since its founding in 2003. Samaritan's Feet is on a mission to reach their goal of giving away a total of 10 million pairs of shoes by December 2023," said Kellogg-Joslyn. "The Titanic Museum Attractions in Pigeon Forge, Tenn. and Branson, Mo. will help make this happen through our partnership by giving back to the communities who have supported us so deeply and enthusiastically over the past 17 years."

If you want to help support Titanic Museum Attractions and Samaritan's Feet shoe distributions in Tennessee & Missouri, you can donate and learn more at:

bit.ly/TitanicGivesBack

The Titanic Museum Attraction opens daily at 9 a.m. Reservations are required and can be made online at www.titanicattraction.com.

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Titanic Museum Attractions: Alan Entertainment, LLC, a privately owned and operated entertainment and development company, owns and operates the Titanic Museum Attractions in Branson, MO (2006) and Pigeon Forge, TN (2010).