

Ms. Lisa, Volunteers, and Metrowest Community~

First and foremost I would like to personally thank each and every person who has helped put this care package together, I do not think you all realize how much we appreciate these packages. Second, I would like to thank you on behalf of the Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, and Airmen we have here in our office for the unyielding support you show to us and our country.

This is my 9th deployment in 15 years, the care and support for the U.S. Service members from the American people has shown we are stronger than ever. When we receive these packages it like opening Christmas presents on Christmas morning, you never know what you're going to get.

The packages you sent were received by the Regional Contracting Center – South at Kandahar Airfield. Our mission is to support the warfighter and ensure that their basic needs are met so they can focus on their mission. Our team is a Joint environment made up of all services and civilians and we deploy as individuals not part of a unit.

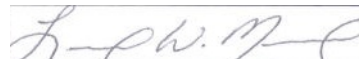
It is always amazing when perfect strangers take time out of their busy schedules to put others needs ahead of their own and boost the morale of our service members and support personnel who are far from home. To simply say thank you doesn't seem like enough, but we are very appreciative of the gifts and kind words from your community.

In closing, it has been my honor and privilege to have served in the military for the greatest county in the world, without your undying support we as a country would not be where we are today. The efforts of the US service members and the combined efforts of the people of the United States make us the strongest force ever.

Again, thank you and the Metrowest Community for the support. I would like to leave you with a few words.

“Our cause is just. Our cause is moral. Our cause is right. Let future generations understand the burden and the blessings of freedom. Let them say, we stood where duty required us to stand.”

George H. W. Bush



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