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The Goodness of America

Can We Help You?

A group of teenage boys in Caldwell, Idaho, is being praised for selflessly stopping to assist an elderly man who fell to the ground.

A passerby named Erika Tovar witnessed the scene as she was driving on March 26. She noticed an elderly man, later identified as Jose Gomez, fall to the ground, so she made a U-turn to check on him. Before she had the chance, she noticed five boys come to the man's aid.

"I saw that he fell so I stepped on my brakes," said Isaac Hernandez, one of the teen boys.

The boys reportedly helped the man to his feet, and they insisted on escorting him back to his nearby home, where they proceeded to clean the man's wounds.

"We parked and we all ran out. We picked him up and we asked if he was okay, he said he was fine," he continued. "So we just kept walking with him. We said we were going to walk him all the way to his house. We helped him inside, and his knee was bleeding. So, we grabbed napkins put alcohol on it and cleaned him up."

Unbeknownst to the boys, Tovar snapped photos of the scene and posted them to her Facebook page to commend the boys for their good deed. The photos were shared nearly 1,000 times and the boys have been praised for their kindness by members of the local community, some of whom have presented the boys with gifts, food, and trinkets, 7KTVB.com reported.

The boys said they did not help the man for any other reason except because it was the right thing to do. "We didn't do it for the attention, we just did it out of the kindness of our hearts. It's just the right thing to do," Hernandez said.

A Special Birthday

On the very same day that the five boys stopped to help Gomez, another group of teenage boys in South Brunswick, New Jersey, took a five-year-old boy with autism named Carter under their wings on his birthday.

Carter's mother, Kristen Braconi, explains her son has "high functioning autism" and ADHD and is highly communicative and sociable. Braconi posted on Facebook on March 26 that she took her son to the park on his birthday, and he was playing in the skate park on his scooter when some older kids showed up, ABC 7 News reported.

To Braconi's surprise, the boys took an interest in her son and began teaching him how to use their skateboards. "I caught a video of them singing to my son and one of the kids gave him a mini skateboard and taught him how to use it," Braconi wrote on a South Brunswick community page.

Braconi never even got the boys' names, but was so grateful for how well they treated her son that she wanted to shout their praises. "I can't even begin to thank these kids for being so kind and showing him how wonderful people can be to complete strangers. I bought them all ice cream to say thank you but it wasn't enough!" she wrote on Facebook. "Thank you to whoever these children are and thank you to their parents because you are doing a wonderful job!"



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Local police caught wind of the story and posted it on the South Brunswick Police Department's various social-media pages in the hopes of identifying the boys. They eventually found the boys and threw a small pizza party/reunion for them and Carter at the skate park where they all first met.

Teenager Buys Mom a Car

Thirteen-year-old William Rabillo of Nevada gave his mother the surprise of her life when he presented her with a 1999 Chevy Metro that he purchased with his own money, money that he'd been secretly squirreling away, CBS News reported.

William's mother, Krystal Preston, was moved to tears by her son's kind gesture and wrote about it on her Facebook page.

"I am speechless my 13 year old son bought me a car," she wrote. "He did some work for this woman and that was his payment that he worked out with her. And here I thought it was a joke.... Nope I was handed the keys and paperwork to the car and I'm freaking out but so in shock like OMG this is happening right now. So we got into the car it started right up and off we went."

William had been doing side jobs such as mowing lawns and cleaning yards to save money, but Preston never imagined that he was saving to buy her a car.

William told a local news station that he got the idea to surprise his mother from watching YouTube videos. "I saw on YouTube where people get their mom a car and then surprise her with it," William said. "I wanted to do that."

William then came across a woman selling a 1999 white Chevy Metro on Facebook and reached out to ask about buying it. "It was really cheap so I asked her if I could trade it or earn it, and at first she said no," he said. "After she thought about it, then she said yes."

Preston sang her son's praises on Facebook. She explains that she was at a "low point" in her life and that his actions picked her right up.

"I am so proud of my son.... William I love you son and thank you. You have such a big heart and I love you."

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