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The Goodness of America

Car Seats, Books, and Stickers, Oh My!

Milwaukee police officer Kevin Zimmerman made a young mother's day a lot better following a routine traffic stop.

The *Daily Mail* reported Zimmerman initially stopped Andrella "Lashae" Jackson on October 12 because she had the wrong vehicle registration. During the stop, he observed two little girls in the backseat of the vehicle without proper car seats, a violation.

Officer Zimmerman told WTMC-TV, "I see three kids in the backseat and two are very young. I didn't observe any child restraints or even seat belts and I asked why the kids aren't in car seats. She said, she can't afford them at this time."

Jackson is reportedly a mother of five, struggling to cover her expenses, much less the cost of car registration and car seats. "With bills coming up and winter coming up, I have to get coats and boots and shoes for my kids," Jackson said. "So it was hard for me."

Zimmerman, a father of three children, was moved by Jackson's situation and wanted to help. "I thought of my kids jumping around. What if a car hit them and they flew and got seriously hurt, if not killed?" Instead of fining Jackson, he asked her to follow him to a local Walmart, where he purchased two car seats totaling approximately \$75.

Fox 2 Detroit noted Officer Zimmerman later showed up to Jackson's residence to install the car seats. He brought books and stickers for the girls, as well.

Jackson was grateful for the officer's kindness, but more importantly, the two little girls were happy and thankful.

In a Facebook post, Jackson recalled her encounter with the officer and noted, "My girls couldn't stop thanking him and it made them smile."

Purple Nail Polish

When a very frightened toddler was involved in a car accident in North Davis, Utah, the responding firefighters knew just how to make her feel better.

Battalion Chief Allen Hadley and Fire Captain Kevin Lloyd were the first responders on the scene of an accident on October 12, People.com reported. Fortunately, no one was seriously hurt in the collision, but there was a little girl who was traumatized by the experience who needed special attention. Lloyd and Hadley were prepared to do what it took to calm her down.

"After noticing the child was holding bottles of fingernail polish, these two officers started talking to her about her polish and asked her if she would paint their nails," a Facebook post from the North Davis Fire District reads.

The girl happily agreed and painted purple nail polish on the nails of both men.

And while the manicures were not pristine, the experience was exactly what the little girl needed to relax and forget about her accident.

The young girl's mother, Jocelyn Fernelius, commented, offering her deepest gratitude and adding,





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"She got upset when they told her that they had to go back to work."

Hadley and Lloyd certainly made a positive impact on that young girl.

Uber Driver Saves the Day

Uber driver Belinda Smith was so moved by an overwhelmed mother's story, she decided she wanted to do more than simply drive her around.

Nicole Ihus and her husband were preparing to give birth to a baby boy with a life-threatening disease called Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia (CDH). "It's a hole in the diaphragm that allows the organ in the abdomen to move into the chest cavity and causes really small lungs because it limits the space for them to grow," Nicole told Fox News. She and her husband learned of the baby's condition in July.

Where they lived in Kansas City, no doctor was adept at treating such an extraordinary condition, forcing them to seek a hospital elsewhere to give birth to their son and allow him to receive the necessary treatment.

The scared parents found the "best doctor in the world for this condition" at Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital in St. Petersburg, Florida, so they decided to head there to have their first baby.

Nicole gave birth to their baby, John Henry, on September 19, and he was immediately placed in the hospital's Newborn Intensive Care Unit, where he's expected to stay for at least four months. And while Nicole was thrilled her son now had a fighting chance, she was full of angst over her son's fate.

Nicole did not want to leave her son's side, but she knew that she would need to buy him some new clothes for his lengthy hospital stay.

Nicole took an Uber to a nearby children's store. Her kind driver, Belinda, allowed Nicole to vent about her situation and her son's condition and the costly, lengthy treatment.

When the Uber arrived at Rhea Lana children's clothing store, Belinda parked the vehicle and got out.

"She was like, 'I'm going to help you buy you some clothes for your son.' I asked her, 'Are you serious?' I can't even imagine," Nicole recalled. "For this stranger to go completely out of her way — stop what she was doing and stop making money — to come be with me for a couple of hours while we shopped together, that was just incredible."

The women shopped together, and by the end of the day, John Henry had a new wardrobe.

Belinda later told WFLA she "really felt for [Nicole]," who was in tears as she told Belinda her story.

Belinda came to visit John Henry at the hospital several days later.

"He's so beautiful," she told Nicole.

The baby is expected to stay at the hospital at least until January, Fox News reports. It is likely John Henry will have to return to the hospital in the future as well, given his condition.

Thankfully for Nicole, she has found a lifelong friend in Florida.

"This is a lifetime friendship," Belinda told Fox News. "We're bonded, we are bound together."

The women have already planned a trip to go to Disney World in the future, when John Henry is doing well.





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