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Dear Angela and Ruth,

I'm so sorry I missed meeting you today when you dropped the stuffed bears by our program. It really feels like Christmas around here thanks to your generosity! The bears are fun for the kids to get **and** fun for the staff to give. We hope the bears bring comfort to the children now and in the future.

It is very heart warming to have the support of K Designers. As I explained to you on the phone, Angela, the gifts from K Designers allow CARES Northwest to direct funds to providing medical child abuse evaluations for children instead of having to buy stuffed bears for them. It is a big help financially to the organization and emotionally to the kids.

CARES Northwest continues to be able to better meet the needs of kids in our community because of the generous support of companies like yours. It is with mixed emotions that I tell you that the number of children seen at CARES Northwest has increased. The program will have provided child abuse evaluations for close to 1300 children when 1998 draws to a close. Probably like you, I feel sad that there are so many children in our community who are suffering. However, I also feel hopeful knowing that CARES Northwest is available to these children and their families during a difficult time.

Please share the program's thanks with everyone at K Designers. CARES Northwest often provides brown bag lunches on topics such as Parenting and Child Abuse Prevention. I will call you after the first of the year to see if K Designers would be interested in CARES Northwest providing a seminar like this to your company's employees.

On behalf of the entire staff and the children and families seen at CARES Northwest, we hope all the families of K Designers have happy and warm holidays.

Sincerely

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