

Kaitlyn Kent donates to Locks of Love

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Holyoke fourth grader Kaitlyn Kent recently cut nine inches of her hair to donate to Locks of Love. As a Locks of Love veteran, the process was not new to the 9-year-old. She donated 13 inches just three years ago.

Kent said she has pretty much been letting her hair grow since last time, and she wanted to donate it again to help children who need wigs. Jeff Sullivan of Stage Cuts Salon cut Kent's hair and told her he could send it in, but Kent decided to mail the hair herself saying she would probably get a thank you note.

Locks of Love is a public nonprofit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children in the United States and Canada under age 18 who are suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis. The organization meets a unique need for children by using donated hair to create the highest quality hair prosthetics. The hairpieces they provide help restore children's self-esteem and confidence, enabling them to face the world and their peers.

Kent is the daughter of Troy and Melinda Kent of Holyoke.

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