

PAYING IT FORWORD

As the Slide Doctors, John and I have been incredibly fortunate to be a valued part of the trombone community. With this in mind, we have discussed ways in which we can "pay forward" the successes we have experienced. The result is a new program,

PROVIDING QUALITY TROMBONES AND CASES TO DESERVING STUDENTS.

OUR GOAL

To locate quality trombones and quality cases that can be easily made playable and place them in the hands of deserving students, who otherwise would be unable to afford an instrument of this quality.

METHODOLOGY

We hope to find owners of fine trombones and/or cases that they are no longer using and would be willing to sell them to the Slide Doctors. If it is time for you to "thin the herd" this will be a way for you to do something good for a young player.

We propose to purchase trombones and cases, do whatever is necessary to put them in the best possible playing condition. Then we will sell the trombone and/or case to the student for only the price we paid for the trombone and case, as well as shipping charges and any expense we occur in making the horn playable. In other words, at our cost. We will accept donations and pass them on the exceptionally needy students.

As a teacher, you can contact us with names and information on students you would like to be considered to purchase a trombone and/or case.

We are already working thru trombone teachers to identify talented and deserving students and have already placed several fine trombones.

Please help us to help these students pursue their goals by giving them the tools they need to be successful. Contact us today if you wish to join in this effort or have questions. Given the state of the economy and abundant need for assistance, we hope that many of our friends will join this effort.

If you are the owner of a trombone(s) and case(s), and wish to participate in this endeavor, please email John at slidedr@windstream.net with the brand, model and the minimum price that you would require for us to purchase the item.

Thank you,

Ray, The Slide Doctor and John, The Slide Doctor, Emeritus