



# FILL THE BACKPACK

## Host a "Fill the Backpack" drive for Dallas children living in poverty

Collected backpacks with supplies will be distributed at the Mayor's Back to School Fair on Friday, August 3. The Mayor's Back to School Fair is an annual event that provides Dallas students and families with essential back-to-school supplies, health screenings and services, and an array of information from educational, social, government and community organizations. Each year the event provides around 15,000 children Pre-K through 12th grade with school supplies.

### HOW IT WORKS:

Companies, churches and community organizations may sign up to host a physical or online donation drive. Groups are asked to collect a minimum of 100 backpacks filled with the required school supply list to participate. Organizations hosting drives will be recognized on the MBTSF website and select printed materials.

**Deadline to sign-up to participate is June 15, 2018 and donations need to be dropped off by July 16, 2018.**



### Sample school supply list:

- backpack – solid color with no patterns with outside zipper compartment and water bottle holder
- package of #2 pencils - 12ct.
- pens (2 red and 2 blue)
- box of crayons-16ct.
- package of pre-sharpened colored pencils - 12ct.
- pair of pointed tip 5" scissors
- plastic 12" ruler
- pink bevel eraser (latex free)
- washable large glue stick
- 2 wide ruled 9 1/4 x 7 1/2" composition notebooks – 100pgs
- 2 spiral wide ruled notebooks – 70ct.
- pencil sharpener with receptacle
- 5 folders with pockets and brads
- package of notebook paper - 150ct.
- package of 3x5 index cards
- package of broad line markers - 8 ct.
- package of assorted color dry erase markers – 4ct.
- 8 oz. glue bottle



### Another opportunity to be involved:

For organizations not able to collect backpacks filled with supplies, there is an opportunity to host a drive to collect an individual high demand school supply item.

To host a school supply backpack drive or get more details, contact Angela Shellene by June 15, 2018 at [ashellene@thereedsprc.com](mailto:ashellene@thereedsprc.com) or 214-871-0783.

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