

2016

Stuff the Bus Tools for School Backpacks 4 Kids

Whatever the name, it's all about collecting school supplies for children in counties throughout NJ during the month of August. The initiative is organized by local United Ways in partnership with local corporations, organizations and individuals who are determined to help kids get a head start. Other organizations run similar efforts. See what is happening in your area.

NJ 2-1-1 will be updating its list of events as information becomes available. If you know of an event that is not listed, let us know by sending an email to sross@nj211.org.

Help school children in your area by donating the following NEW items:

- Backpacks
- Binders
- Calculators
- Colored Pencils
- Composition Books
- Crayons
- Erasers
- Folders
- Glue
- Highlighters
- Index Cards

- Markers
- Notebooks (non-spiral)
- Notebooks (spiral)
- Paper (lined/3-holed)
- Pencil cases
- Pencil Sharpener
- Pencils
- Pens
- Rulers
- Writing Pads

Statewide

Back-To-School Brigade

Operation Homefront is collecting school supplies and distributing them to military families in need. School supplies will be distributed from 11 am to 2 pm on August 16 at Ft. Dix. Recipients are asked to <u>register</u> for this event. For more information, email <u>Matt.McCue@operationhomefront.net</u>.

Eligibility: Active duty, E1-E6 or post 9/11 wounded, ill or injured, all ranks

Atlantic County

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Senator Jim Whelan and Assemblyman Vince Mazzeo are collecting school supplies from now through August 19 at their office: 507 Tilton Rd, Northfield NJ 08225. For more information call 609.383.1388.

Bergen County

No activities reported at this time

Burlington County

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Catholic Charities is collecting school supplies from 9 am-4pm Monday - Friday starting August 8 through August 19 at 801 "Burlington Ave, Suite G, Delanco, NJ 08075, Call 856.764.6940

The Christian Caring Center is collecting goods and accepting donations for school baskets which will be distributed on August 25 from 10 am-6 pm. Send donations to the Center at PO Box 385, Pemberton, NJ 08068. Learn more about this event by reading their <u>flyer</u>. For further information please call, 609.893.0700.

Oaks Integrated Care is collecting school supplies at the following locations from now until August 19. If you don't have time to shop for the needed supplies, you are encouraged to make a donation by mail to Oaks Integrated Care, 770 Woodlane Road, Mt. Holly, NJ 08060 OR donate online. For more information contact Addy Castellar at 609-267-5928 X99836, or by email at aldelise.castellar@oadsintcare.org. Learn more here.

Starbucks

Moorestown Mall Kiosk 1340 Fairview Boulevard, Delran 10 Centerton Road, Mt. Laurel 41 East Main Street, Moorestown

Oaks Integrated Care Main Office 770 Woodlane Road, Suite 15, Mt. Holly

Camden County

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Camden Rescue Mission is collecting new backpacks and school supplies from now until August 15 to give away to children-in-need in Camden and Gloucester counties. You can donate funds or supplies to Camden Rescue Mission, Inc. 1634 Broadway, Camden, NJ 08104 (or make an online donation at their website, www.camdenrescuemission.com and click "donate".) Supplies and backpacks will be distributed on Thursday, August 24 from noon until the last child is served.

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600 Rt. 38, Cherry Hill 512 Haddonfield Road, Cherry Hill

Oaks Integrated Care Offices 128 Berlin-Cross Keys Road, Berlin 499 Cooper Landing Road, Cherry Hill

Garden State Discovery Museum 2040 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill

Cape May County

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Essex County

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Any questions should be directed to Lisa Galonardo, 973-993-1160 ext. 503 or via email at <u>Lisa.Galonardo@unitedwaynnj.orq</u>. Learn more at <u>UWNNJ website</u>.

<u>August 29, drop off of donations is in the morning of 8/29</u> at the United Way office, 60 S. Fullerton Avenue, Montclair, NJ 07042

Gloucester County

United Way of Gloucester County is teaming up with Center for Family Services in this year's Operation Backpack. You can donate new backpacks filled with school supplies for students ages 4-19 (backpacks for teens are especially needed) at the UWGC located at 454 Crown Point Rd., Thorofare, NJ. For more information or to donate online visit https://www.centerffs.org/get-involved/campaigns/operation-backpack, contact them by phone at 856.964.1990 ext. 110 or email: operationbackpack@centerffs.org.

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Hudson County

No activities reported at this time

Hunterdon County

United Way of Hunterdon County helps more than 1,300 Hunterdon students be better prepared for school. They are at it again this year and are looking for your help! Donations will be accepted at several locations and will be used toward the creation of basic school supply kits including backpacks, pencils, pens, highlighters, dry erase markers, notebooks, filler paper, folders, glue sticks, page dividers, 2" binders, scientific calculators, pencil sharpeners, composition books, scissors, crayons, and markers depending on each student's grade level.

You can help by buying supplies and dropping them off at any one of the following locations:

July 29 from 10am-2pm - Flemington BJ's Wholesale Club

July 30 from 9am-2:30pm - Wal-Mart of Branchburg

July 31 from 9am-2:30pm - Clinton Shoprite

Aug. 6 from 9am-2:30pm - Wal-Mart of Flemington

Aug. 8 from 2-6pm - United Way Community Volunteer Center (Flemington)

Aug. 13 from 9am-2:30pm - Wal-Mart of Clinton

You can drop off school supplies at any time at any one of the following locations:

Immaculate Conception Church, Annandale Hunterdon County Clerk's Office,

Flemington

Raritan Valley Community College Peapack-Gladstone Bank Hunterdon Health & Wellness Centers ATA Martial Arts, Flemington
Domalena's, Flemington
Frenchtown Pharmacy
Flemington Car & Truck Country
Fulton Bank of New Jersey
Hunterdon Healthcare
Hunterdon Prevention Resources
Pointcut Salon, Flemington

Provident Bank
Retro Fitness
Callaway, Henderson, Sotheby's International,
Lambertville
Hunterdon County YMCA
Glass Castle of Flemington
Amwell Valley Self Storage, Ringoes

Call (908) 7237-1689 x24 or email her at <u>maria@uwhunterdon.org</u> to find out how you can give or get help. Learn more by visiting the <u>UW of Hunterdon website</u>.

Mercer County

Catholic Charities is collecting school supplies from 9 am-4pm Monday - Friday starting August 8 through August 19 at 132 Warren St., Trenton, NJ 08608, Call 609.394.8847

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Oaks Integrated Care

31 Lexington Avenue, Ewing Township, NJ

Middlesex County

The Kiwanis Club of Perth Amboy will be hosting Backpacks on the Balcony on Tuesday, August 23 from 5pm-9pm at Seabra's Armory, 200 Front Street, Perth Amboy. Join them for unlimited sangria and appetizers. Tickets are \$40/person and all money raised will go to buy school supplies for Perth Amboy students. Call 609.271.5680. Read their event flyer.

Monmouth County

United Way of Monmouth and Ocean Counties is hoping to send kids back to school with a smile by collecting the supplies they need at Stuff the Bus drives from July 30th - August 14th.

Donations are distributed directly to local schools and agencies who then give the supplies to families-in-need. You can also donate supplies here. www.roonga.com/uwmocstb/

Stuff the Bus Events in Monmouth County

- Friday, August 5th from 10am-3pm Walmart, 3575 Route 66, Neptune
- Saturday, August 6th from 10am-3pm -Walmart, 326 W Main St., Freehold
- Friday, August 12th from 10am-3pm Boscov's Monmouth Mall, Eatontown
- Saturday, August 13th from 10am-3pm Walmart, 4900 Route 9, Howell
- Sunday, August 14th from 10am-3pm Wegmans, 1104 Route 35, Ocean Township

Morris County

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<u>August 18-19, drop off of donations is 8/18,</u> 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at the Housing Partnership organization, 2 East Blackwell Street, Dover, NJ 07801

Ocean County

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Ocean County Events:

- Saturday, August 6th from 10am-3pm Walmart, 525 Route 72, Manahawkin
- Saturday, July 30th from 10am-3pm Walmart, 580 Route 9, Lanoka Harbor
- Saturday, August 13th from 10am-3pm Walmart, 1872 Route 88, Brick

Catholic Charities is collecting school supplies from 9 am- 4pm Monday - Friday starting August 8 through August 19 at 200 Monmouth Ave., Lakewood, NJ 08701, Call 732.363.5322

Passaic County

Every summer United Way of Passaic County, organizes efforts to collect school supplies for kids in their local area. Join them this year. Shop for school supplies at their customized <u>Amazon.com</u> page and have the goods delivered directly to the UW office. <u>Host a collection drive</u>. <u>Make a monetary donation</u>.

Supplies that are collected are given to over 900 children at schools and community organizations throughout Passaic County.

Salem County

No activities reported at this time

Somerset

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August 22-24, drop off of donations is 8/22, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the United Reformed Church, 100 West Main St., Somerville, NJ 08876

Sussex County

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<u>August 26, drop off of donations is in the morning of 8/26</u> at the United Way office, 2 Spring Street (NJ Herald Building), Newton, NJ 07860

Union County

United Way of Greater Union County is encouraging individuals and businesses to create Stuff the Bus teams with collection dates running from July 1-August 15. On August 24 between 11am-2pm, volunteers will meet at the Erxleban Recreation Center (514 Richmond Street, Elizabeth, NJ) to stuff the backpacks full of supplies that have been collected. Backpacks will be distributed to sites throughout Union County, North and South Plainfield. For more information, contact Charlene Bathelus at Charlene.bathelus@uwquc.org or 908.353.7171 ext, 137.

Warren County

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<u>August 16-17, drop off of donations is 8/16,</u> 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Taylor Street School, 16/24 Taylor Street, Washington, NJ 07882

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