

THE COALITION

FOR THE HOMELESS

PROJECT
BACK to SCHOOL

Backpack and school
supply drive for
homeless kids

JULY –
AUGUST 26

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HOMELESSNESS IN NEW YORK CITY

Nearly 115,000 NYC schoolkids experienced homelessness at some point last year – that’s roughly one-in-ten students in our city. The stress and trauma of homelessness leave these girls and boys struggling to keep up with their classmates, and their families often can’t afford even the most basic items that kids need for school: backpacks, notebooks, binders and other supplies.

PROJECT: BACK TO SCHOOL

Project: Back to School partners with companies, law firms, schools and caring individuals to collect more than 3,000 NEW backpacks for homeless students and fills them with all the supplies a child needs to start the school year right.

You can help a homeless girl or boy with a simple donation of a new backpack or any of the supplies on our wish list.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

- **Host a drive** for **NEW** backpacks and school supplies at your workplace or school.
- **Make a donation** at: coalitionforthehomeless.org/donate-back-to-school. Just \$20 provides one child with a backpack full of school supplies.
- **Volunteer** to help sort supplies and stuff backpacks!
- **Purchase** new items and drop them off at any of our partnering locations.

ABOUT THE COALITION:

The Coalition for the Homeless provides food and clothing, eviction prevention, crisis services, permanent housing, job training and programs for youth to thousands of homeless New Yorkers each day, while our advocacy fights for the proven, housing-based solutions to homelessness that will end this terrible crisis once and for all. Since 1981, we have given more than one million homeless New Yorkers a way off the streets.

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WISH LIST

Early Years

(Pre-K to 1st Grade)

- New Backpack
- #2 Pencils
- Hard Pencil Case
- Crayons (24Ct)
- Washable Markers (8-10 Ct)
- Elmer's Glue
- Glue Sticks
- Composition Notebooks
- Erasers
- Safety Scissors
- Pocket Folders
- Ruler

Elementary School

(2nd to 5th Grades)

- New Backpack
- #2 Pencils
- Soft Pencil Case
- Pencil Sharpener
- Glue Sticks
- Composition Notebooks
- Colored Pencils (12-24Ct)
- Crayons (24Ct)
- Erasers
- Safety Scissors
- Pocket Folders
- Ruler

Middle School

(6th to 8th Grades)

- New Backpack
- #2 Pencils
- Ruler
- Pencil Sharpener
- Glue Stick
- Markers
- Blue or Black Pens
- Composition Notebooks
- 1" Binder
- Paper Dividers
- Eraser
- Pocket Folders
- Small Dictionaries
- Index Cards
- Ruled Paper

High School

(9th to 12th Grades)

- New Backpack
- #2 Pencils
- Ruler
- Post-Its
- White-Out
- Erasers
- 1.5" Binder
- Paper Dividers
- Ruled Paper
- Pencil Sharpener
- Blue or Black Pens
- Composition Notebooks
- Scientific Calculators
- Pocket Folders
- Small Dictionaries
- Index Cards
- Flash Drives
- Highlighters



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