



OPERATION BACKPACK®



The kids in our community need you!

When you join Operation Backpack® you'll give every child in your community hope. This kind of hope is a new backpack filled with school supplies. On average, families spend \$661 per child, in school supplies each year. Volunteers of America's Operation Backpack® has locally helped more than 5,000 children enter the classroom with new backpacks and school supplies.

When you give a backpack and school supplies, you are giving hope to the entire family!

Interested in hosting an Operation Backpack® donation drive?

You can provide school supplies to students in your community by organizing a donation drive. Providing backpacks and supplies will wrap students with their self-confidence and help them thrive!

01 Let us know you are planning to support Operation Backpack®!

Email us at operationbackpack@voaohin.org

02 Set a timeline and dates.

Be sure to set dates for your drive and really stick to them. Creating urgency will get those donations in on time to meet your goals!

03 Communicate!

Post flyers and Operation Backpack® school supply lists to get people informed and excited. Hang on walls, send in emails, place in newsletters, post on social media, ask colleagues and mention in meetings.

04 Encourage your vendors, partners, coworkers, friends and family to participate.

- Hold raffles/fundraisers to collect money to buy needed supplies
- Offer employees a "dress down" day option in trade for donations
- Encourage friendly competition to see which teams or groups can collect the most items
- The options are endless, have fun with it!

05 Set up clearly marked collection boxes in well-trafficked areas.

Make sure those near the boxes are well informed of the drive so they may answer any questions that may arise.

06 Send us some photos!

We can post on social media! Or post to social media yourself and tag us so we can repost the fun.

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Supply List

New Backpack	Pencil Sharpener
Spiral notebook	Markers, 8-Count
Notebook Paper	Highlighter
Binder	Pens
Eraser	Deodorant
Ruler	Bar Soap
Folders, 2-pocket	Toothpaste
Scissors	Tooth brush
Crayons, 24-Count	Shampoo/Conditioner
Pencils	



Scan the QR Code or visit OperationBackpackGO.org for more information on how you can help children thrive.