

Backpack to School



Our Purpose

Backpack to School aims to provide necessary school supplies to the children in grades K-6 of every long-term care staff member in our partnering facilities. Ensuring the best possible educational experience is increasingly expensive—the cost of essential materials often exceeds \$100 per child, and the financial challenges any family can face makes them an "extra" some parents cannot always afford. Employees serving in this profession make sacrifices every day to care for those in need, and we are continually inspired by their contribution. The Backpack program allows us to offer thanks for their selfless service, along with tangible support for the future of the young people who will one day care for America's seniors—and for us.



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Our purpose is to positively impact the lives of long term care staff and their families. The Backpack to School program is a major financial initiative for the Vital Life Foundation. Our goal is to raise awareness of the Foundation and to engage our communities in the excitement surrounding this project.



SINCE 2008 WE HAVE DISTRIBUTED 16,000 BACKPACKS THROUGH VITAL LIFE FOUNDATION.

PARTICIPATION IN THE BACKPACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAM REQUIRES:

- A The cost per backpack is in excess of \$20. Participants are asked to contribute \$8.50 per backpack. Vital Life Foundation covers the balance.
- B We urge you to fundraise to help offset your costs. This helps create awareness for the program.
- Plan a celebration in August involving your staff, their children and the residents to distribute the backpacks to the children.

Vital Life Foundation is proud to partner with Exceed Enterprises of Milwaukie, Oregon for our backpack fulfillment: Exceed Enterprises is a non-profit organization that excels in providing vocational and personal development services for people with disabilities. Vital Life Foundation is proud to support unique education programs for our partners at Exceed.



OUR CALENDAR

MAY 26TH Facility partner confirmation deadline Total number of backpacks needed Invoices to be issued

FIRST WEEK OF AUGUST Backpacks arrive to all participating facilities

MID-AUGUST Backpack Distribution Celebrations

END OF AUGUST Invoices due

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