



BACK TO SCHOOL

DONATION DRIVE TOOL KIT

STEPS TO A SUCCESSFUL DRIVE

WHEN

Host your school supply drive for at least a week to give people time to shop and drop off. Clearly share the start and end dates.

WHERE

Place donation bins in high-traffic areas and post the included "School Supply Drop-off Here" signs.

GOAL

Set a clear, achievable goal to boost participation - use a goal chart, offer incentives, or create a fun competition.

PROMOTE

Promote with social media, emails, newsletters, and flyers. Use the samples and flyer included in this kit.

www.villageskids.org



COMMUNICATION SAMPLES

Use these samples or create your own social media posts, texts, and emails. Be sure to tag The Villages!

1

Help kids in foster care have a good start to their school year. Donate to the Back to School Supply Drive at (location) on (date).

2

Join me in helping ease the financial burden on the deserving families served by The Villages of Indiana. Drop off a new school backpack and supplies at (location) by (date).

3

The Villages of Indiana serves 10,000 children and families each year. Join me in helping give these families a financial break. Drop off school supplies at (location) by (date).

4

On average, a new backpack with required school supplies cost \$150. Help foster parents ensure their child is ready for the school year. Donate to the (your drive's) School Supply Drive.

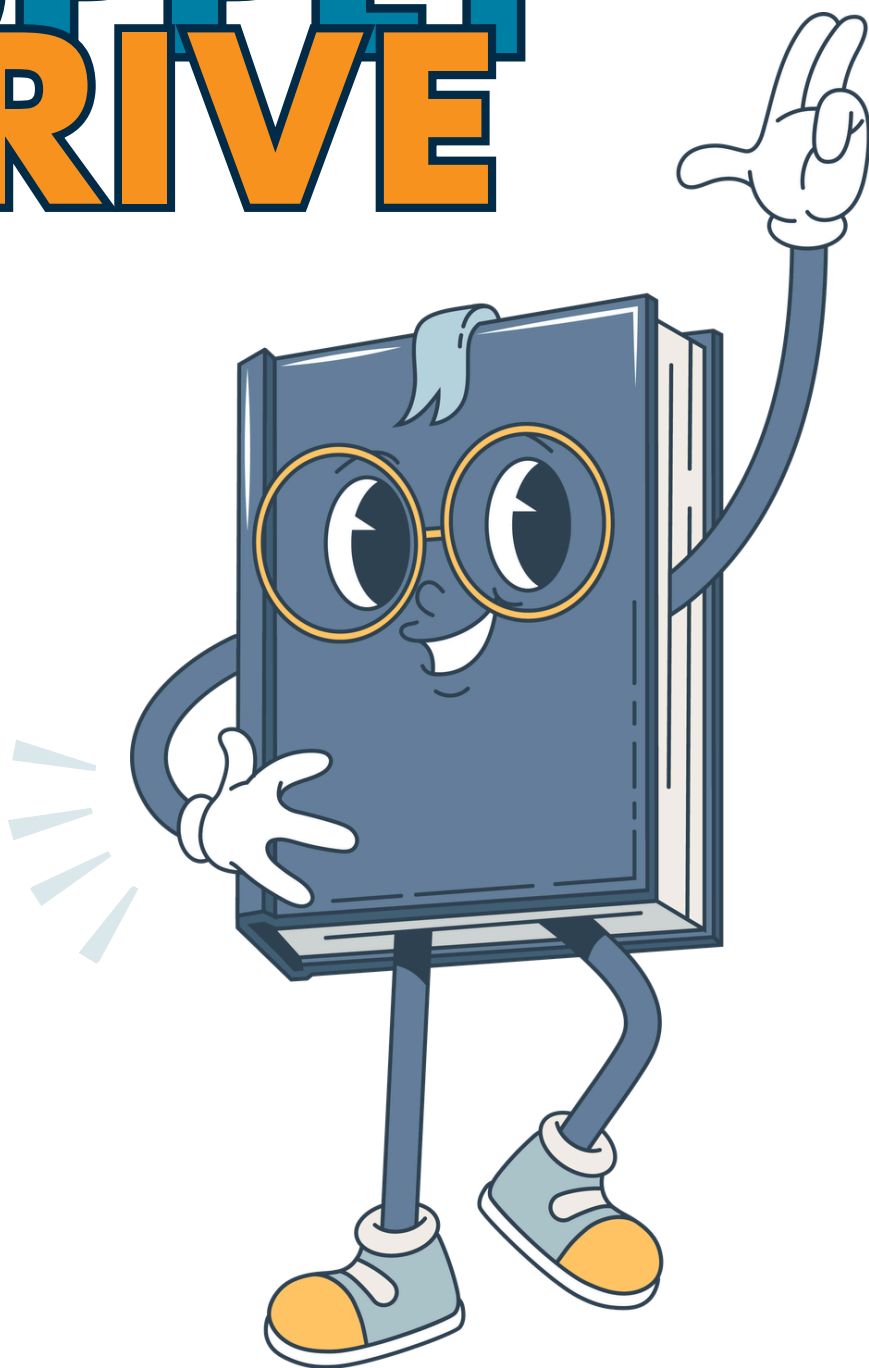
IN 2025...

- *served 475 children in foster care.*
- *supported 617 youth aged out of foster care.*
- *assisted 225 children living with a family member other than their parent*

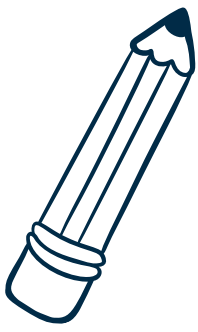


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SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

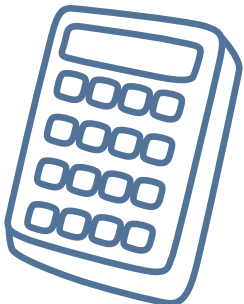
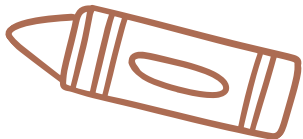
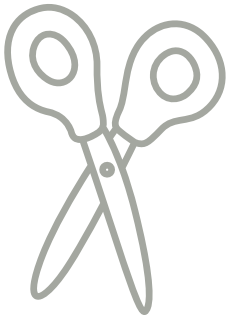


Amazon Wishlist



BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

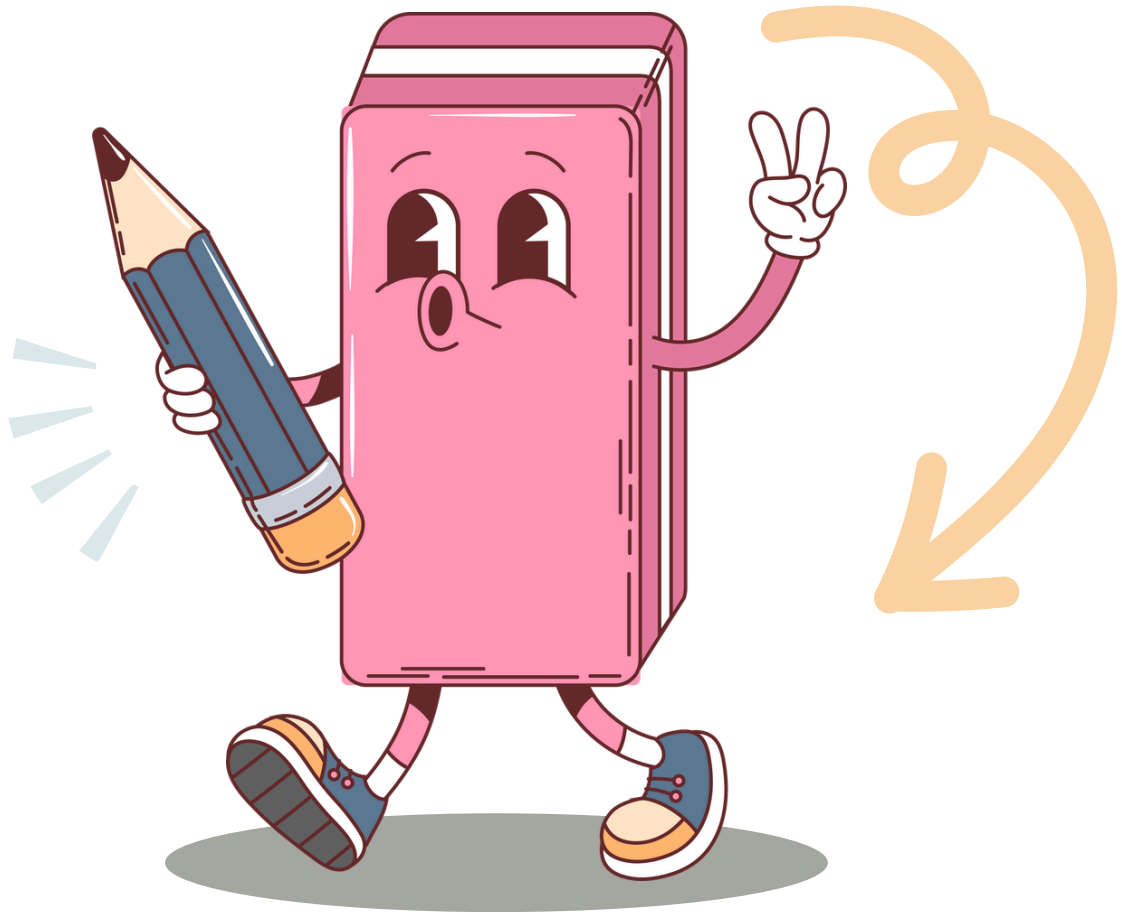
Please note: Bolded brand names are specifically requested by schools.



- Sturdy Backpack
- **Ticonderoga** #2 Pencils
- **Crayola** Crayons
- **Crayola** Classic Broadline Markers
- **Crayola** Thin Line Markers
- Colored Pencils
- **Sharpie** Highlighters
- **Expo** Black Dry Erase Chisel Tip Markers
- **Expo** Dry Erase Chisel Tip 4-pack Assorted Colors
- Fine Point Black **Sharpies**
- Pens (blue, black, red)
- Pink Pearl Erasers
- Spiral Notebooks (wide ruled)
- Loose Leaf Paper (wide ruled)
- Composition Notebooks
- Index Cards, 3" x 5" Ruled
- Sticky Notes, 3" x 3" Assorted Colors
- 2-pocket Plastic Folders (red, green, blue, yellow, purple)
- 12-inch Ruler
- Scientific Calculator
- 3 Ring Binders (1" solid color)
- Binder Dividers with 5 Tabs
- Flash Drive
- Over the Ear Headphones with cord
- Earbuds with cord
- Plastic Art Box
- Pencil Case
- Hand Sanitizer
- Disinfectant Wipes



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**SCHOOL
SUPPLY
DROP OFF!**



DROP YOUR DONATIONS HERE

Thank you for helping kids in foster care
have a good start to their school year!