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Twin Oaks Sets Goal of 1,000 Backpacks for Operation Fill-A-Backpack Drive Now Through August 22

Mt. Holly, NJ- For many children heading back to school, this September means cool new backpacks, clothes and shoes. Unfortunately, many parents of children in Twin Oaks Community Services programs simply cannot afford basic school supplies. To help meet this need, Twin Oaks hosts their annual Operation Fill-A-Backpack drive which runs through August 22. The agency hopes to collect 1000 new backpacks to ensure children in need start the school year off on the right foot.

Operation Fill-A-Backpack donation ideas:

Backpacks	Spiral bound & composition notebooks
Lunchboxes	Calculators (solar & scientific)
Pens, pencils, erasers, pencil cases	Crayons, markers, highlighters
Rulers & protractors	Scissors
Three-ring binders with paper	Index cards
Pocket Folders	Book Covers
Glue Sticks	Facial tissues, anti-bacterial hand sanitizer

For individuals, corporations or civic groups looking to run their own backpack drive, Twin Oaks will provide all materials needed to make the drive a success. It's the perfect opportunity to involve family members, friends or co-workers.

Drop off donations at any of the following locations:

Twin Oaks Offices
770 Woodlane Road, Suite 23, Mt. Holly
128 Cross Keys Road, Berlin
499 Cooper Landing Road, Cherry Hill

Twin Oaks Thrift Shop
697 Haddon Avenue, Collingswood

Starbucks (5 locations)
10 Centerton Road, Mt. Laurel
41 East Main Street, Moorestown
1340 Fairview Boulevard, Delran
480 East Evesham Road, Cherry Hill
512 Haddonfield Road, Cherry Hill

Garden State Discovery Museum, 2040 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill

Moorestown Mall, Mall Management Office, 400 West Route 38, Moorestown

Sam's Club, 2521 U.S. 130, Cinnaminson

Twin Oaks Community Services' CEO Bob Pekar shares why this drive is so important, "Every child deserves a great first day of school. With the help of our local community, we can make sure children in Twin Oaks programs head back to school with the confidence needed to succeed."

To make a monetary donation, visit www.twinoakscs.org or mail to Twin Oaks, Attn: Development Office, 770 Woodlane Road, Mount Holly, NJ 08060. Please make checks payable to 'Twin Oaks Community Services'.

Twin Oaks Community Services provides caring behavioral health services to vulnerable children, adults and families throughout New Jersey. **For more information, please visit www.twinoakscs.org or call the Development Office at (609)267-5928.**

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