

# School supply drive underway

**Area stores, in cooperation with the Loudoun County Department of Family Services, are holding a drive the entire month of July to collect school supplies for children who cannot afford them.**

Shoppers will have the opportunity to prepare a child for school by donating needed school supplies at Loudoun Giant stores, Leesburg Pharmacy, Cascades Library, Ashburn Library, Curves in Purcellville and all Loudoun County Community Centers.

Donation boxes or shopping carts with the School Supplies posters and fliers are available in participating stores and community centers.

Students need book bags; spiral notebooks; three-ring binders; pencils; loose-leaf, three-ring paper; scissors (round end); rulers; crayons; composition books; pocket folders; Kleenex; plastic storage bags; liquid soap; and other miscellaneous items.

Loudoun nonprofits, government agencies and elementary schools working with low-income families will distribute the supplies in time for school in September.

Participating agencies include YMCA-Big Friends, Northeast Coalition, Loudoun County Department of Mental Health, Loudoun County Youth Shelter, Young Adults Project, Transitional Housing and Emergency Shelter Programs, Loudoun County Department of Family Services, MotherNet/Healthy Families Loudoun and several area elementary schools.

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