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“Family Service Association Hosts Operation Backpack”

EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP -- Family Service Association is excited to once again host Operation Backpack 2016. With the recent casino closures, many children in our community will not be prepared to return to school. These children will enter the coming school year with no backpack, notebook, pencils, or basic supplies that they need. We are so grateful for continued support from our corporate sponsors, South Jersey Industries and Spencer’s Gifts.

Cindy Herdman Ivins, President/CEO, states that “the hardship of being unprepared will make staying on track difficult for any young student, and especially one who might already be struggling academically.” We’re asking our local community to please consider investing in a child. We’re in need of new backpacks filled with school supplies for students 4-18. Individual donations will be accepted through August 19th at all Family Service Association locations as well as a host of other community partner sites. If you would like to sponsor Operation Backpack 2016 and “Host a Box” through your business, please contact Torrina Bennett-Michael, Chief Development Officer at (609) 569-0239 x1160.

Family Service Association Drop-Off Locations:

312 E. White Horse Pike, Absecon

3050 Spruce Ave., EHT

3073 English Creek Ave., EHT

622 – 624 New York Rd, Galloway Twp.

Community Partner Drop-Off Locations:

Fulton Bank: 2 Locations

5100 English Creek Ave., EHT

1101 Tilton Rd., Northfield

Lolla Chiropractic Center

161 W White Horse Pike, Galloway

Sandpiper Consulting

222 New Road, Suite 505

Central Park East, Linwood

Atlantic County Board of Realtors

240 E. White Horse Pike, Absecon

Atlantic County Sheriff Office

4997 Unami Boulevard, Mays Landing

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Family Service Association

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Founded in 1909, Family Service Association has over a century of proven success in providing tangible relief for individuals and families in need. As a multi-service, non-profit agency that serves over 8,500 children, adolescents and adults annually in four program areas: Behavioral Health, Strengthening Families and Communities, Safety Net, and Child Welfare Advocacy, the organization's mission is to improve the quality of life for individuals and families in our community. As the economic climate in Southern New Jersey continues to change, the needs of the people in the community have become even more evident. Family Service Association is regarded as a leader in the human service field and a haven to those in need of such services. For additional information, please visit <http://www.fsasj.org> to learn more about the agency and exciting programs that are offered.



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