SUPPLY DRIVE
REGISTRATION PACKAGE
Purpose: To improve educational statistics among homeless & low-income children in our area.

About Operation Backpack 2019:

Operation Backpack is Volunteers of America Chesapeake’s annual initiative to provide backpacks, school supplies and academic enrichment to homeless and low-income children throughout Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

Operation Backpack 2018 provided these services to more than 2,500 children!

The Goals of Operation Backpack 2019 are:

- Provide new backpacks filled with school supplies to each child in our care
- Support schools within the communities we serve with supplies for classrooms & community outreach
- Raise funds to increase access to technology: Computer labs, memberships/access to online educational databases (LexisNexis, etc.)
- Raise funds for academic support
- Tutors in math, science & reading
- Academic enrichment trips in-line with school curriculum (science math, art, music)

According to the National Center on Family Homelessness - Children experiencing homelessness are four times more likely to show delayed development and have twice the rate of learning disabilities compared to non-homeless children. Of homeless elementary students less than 22 percent are proficient in math and less than 25 percent are proficient in reading. Among homeless high school students less than 12 percent are proficient in math and less than 15 percent in reading. Low-income students are twice as likely to have to repeat a grade, be expelled, get suspended or drop out of high school.
Collection Bin Timeline:
Here’s a handy timeline to help guide you and your group through the life of the campaign:

**Week of July 1, 2019**
Campaign collecting Kick-Off & Bin Delivery

**Week of July 23, 2019**
1st Collection Round

**Week of Aug 6, 2019**
2nd Collection Round

*A Development Team member will help schedule your individual collection days during each collection round.

**Week of Aug 20, 2019**
3rd Collection Round

**Week of Aug 31, 2019**
Last & finale Week & 4th Round of Collections & Bin Pick-Up

We’d like to host an Operation Backpack 2019 Supply Drive!

**ORGANIZATION NAME:**

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**CONTACT/LEADERSHIP SIGNATURE & DATE:**

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