

2026

BACK TO SCHOOL

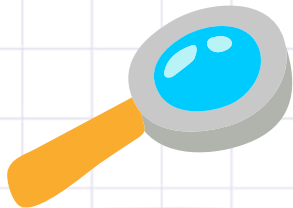
Friends of
JOSHUA HOUSE
Foundation, Inc.

Our Back-to-School Drive isn't just about collecting school supplies, it's about equipping our children for success in school and beyond. While backpacks, folders, and other essentials are crucial, we also need funds for field trips, football games, homecoming, prom, and our educational programs.

The reality is heartbreaking: more than 50% of foster children do not graduate high school, and on average, foster teens are two years behind academically. At Joshua House, we are committed to changing that!

Our educational programs are used to motivate, encourage, and support our foster youth to stay in school and improve their grades. By rewarding attendance, increasing tutoring participation and encouraging academic progress, we help them build confidence and a brighter future.

The new school year begins August 12th in Hillsborough County—AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!



How can you help?

Check the back of this flyer for a list of the most needed school supplies and clothing items



Our Amazon Wish List includes items for Back-to-School for those who would like to click and ship!

https://www.amazon.com/registries/guest-view/18WKU3I75SJXE?ref_=cm_sw_r_cp_ud_ggr-subnav-share_ZZR8ETN0ANKFN02GG8SQ

Your Gift Makes a Difference!

\$300 provides a child with school clothes, a pair of shoes, and essential school supplies.

\$250 outfits a child with school clothes and a new pair of shoes.

\$50 supplies a child with a backpack filled with school essentials.



Shop for specific children's clothing & backpack requests using this link.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0845ABA82D6-63416396-2026>



Want to help but prefer not to shop? Consider making a donation instead!

Make a donation to our Back to School Drive by scanning the QR code, or go to: <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/friendsofjoshuahousefoundation>

Drop-Off Locations:

Please deliver any donations by Friday, July 31st

Or host a Back-to-School Drive at your office or in your neighborhood!

Hand and Stone Massage and Facial Spa

13129 North Dale Mabry Highway Suite E Tampa, FL 33618 M-F 9am – 10pm S/S 9am – 9pm (813) 425-1713

Hand and Stone Massage and Facial Spa

12865 Citrus Plaza Drive Tampa, FL 33625 M-F 9am – 10pm S/S 9am – 9pm (813) 592-0010

Floridacentral Credit Union

<https://www.floridacentralcu.com> All Hillsborough, Pinellas, and Pasco Branch Locations

Pilates Social:

4203 W El Prado Boulevard, Tampa, FL 33629 M-Thurs: 8am – 7pm F-Sun: 8am – 12pm

Joshua House Donation Center

1515 Michelin Court Lutz, FL 33548 M-F: 10am – 4pm or by appointment (813) 406-5694

The Brass Tap:

10047 North Dale Mabry Highway, Tampa, FL 33618 M-S: 12pm – 7pm

SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

- Backpacks – large, sturdy backpacks for teens (this is the most needed item)
- 2-Pocket Folders with prongs – plastic – variety of colors: purple/red/yellow/green
- Spiral, 100-page notebooks: Yellow/red/green/purple/blue/black (wide and college ruled needed)
- 3 and 5-subject Spiral Notebooks – all colors
- White-out tape
- Scotch tape
- Thumb drives – Small GB
- Copy paper
- Ear buds (for test taking - not wireless)
- Dry Erase Markers
- Red, black & blue pens
- Sticky-Notes
- 3-ring binders – heavy duty – 1 1/2" & 2" – white with clear pocket front
- 3-ring pencil pouches
- Highlighters – variety of colors
- Markers – Crayola preferred
- Calculators, large size
- Pre-sharpened pencils
- Colored pencils – 12 packs
- Filler paper – wide & college ruled
- Glue sticks
- Index Cards

EMPOWER A TEEN WITH THE GIFT OF CHOICE!



- Amazon
- Target
- Ross
- Marshalls
- Footlocker
- Lids
- Sephora / Ulta

Want to make a difference in a teen's life? Consider donating gift cards to stores like Ross, Marshalls, TJ Maxx, or local malls. These cards give them the freedom to choose clothing that fits their style and needs. Your generosity helps them feel confident and prepared for the school year!

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