



BackPack BEGINNINGS



Serving Children in Need ...One BackPack at a Time

Our Mission

BackPack Beginnings' mission is to provide children in need with nutritious food, comfort items and certain basic necessities through the use of backpacks and other means of distribution.

The Need

Almost 50,000 children in Guilford County get subsidized nutrition during the week at school; we help make sure that the neediest among them don't go hungry over the weekend. Additionally, many children in the county experience abuse, neglect, or suffer other tragedies; we help by providing backpacks full of comfort items such as a blanket and stuffed animal.

Our Programs



Food BackPack Program

Our Food BackPack Program provides hungry elementary and preschool children with backpacks full of nutritious, kid-friendly food over the weekends during the school year. We deliver **5,300** bags of food each month.



Comfort BackPack Program

Our Comfort BackPack Program gives backpacks full of stuffed animals, blankets, books, toys, hygiene products, socks, school supplies and more to abused, neglected, homeless or refugee children. We delivered **1,464** Comfort BackPacks this past year.



Clothing Pantry Program

Our clothing pantry is open to school social workers and partner agencies to shop for children in need. We accept new and gently used clothing items for children from 0-17 years old. Over **900** items of clothes are distributed each month.



Food Pantry Program

We have food pantries in middle and high schools. They are stocked with fresh food, canned and dry food items, hygiene products and school supplies. We feed over **620** people each weekend.