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“ARGH” YOU GOING TO HELP A CHILD IN NEED?

Legislator Hahn Collecting Donations for Backpack Pirates School Supply Drive

PORT JEFFERSON, NY – Legislator Kara Hahn is asking for your assistance to help ensure that some of Suffolk County’s neediest school children have the supplies required to succeed this academic year. From now until Friday, August 8, 2012, Legislator Hahn will be collecting supplies for students aged 5 to 18 who are housed in homeless shelters, domestic violence houses, parish outreach centers, and families attending programs at Department of Labor sites across the County

This supply drive is a part of the Suffolk County Legislature’s sixth annual *Backpack Pirates* program. The little “pirates” receiving donations will spend a day exploring the treasures of Fire Island before being presented with a backpack stuffed by volunteers containing vital supplies for the upcoming school year.

“Economics should not be a hindrance to academic achievement,” said Legislator Hahn. “Many of these children face tremendous stress in their personal lives due to economic circumstances, but this drive should help alleviate some of the anxiety caused by not being properly prepared for school.”

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Your generous donations of the following items can be dropped off to Legislator Hahn's district office located at 306 Main Street in Port Jefferson Monday through Friday 9:00AM to 5:00PM:

- 3x5 Index cards and boxes
- 4 oz. School Glue
- Baby wipes
- Black Markers
- Black Music Folders
- Broad Tip Markers
- Children's Scissors
- Colored Pencils
- Crayons
- Dry Erase Markers
- Erasable pens
- Erasers
- Fine Point Color Markers
- Folders with pockets
- Glue Sticks
- Large T-shirts for smocks
- Loose-leaf paper
- Pencil cases
- Pencil sharpeners
- Pencils
- Plastic Bags (sandwich and gallon sizes)
- Plastic Colored Folders
- Plastic Shoe Box
- Ring binders
- Rulers
- Scientific Calculators
- Tissues
- Wide Ruled Black & White Notebooks
- Wide Washable markers

For more information about the *Backpack Pirates* program or how you can help, please contact Legislator Kara Hahn's Office at (631) 854-1650.

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