## Backpack Project hits lucky 13



For the 13th year in a row, Clark College employees donated backpacks and supplies to 52 school-aged children of Clark College students.

Names of children are gathered and referred by Workforce Education Services, Financial Aid, Veterans Affairs, Child & Family Services, and the Diversity Center. Each child is asked their favorite color and characters so the donors can find a backpack that is specific to that child.

This year, the Backpack Project provided 55 backpacks, adding to the grand total so far of over 730 backpacks collected throughout the years — thank you!

Here are some expressions of thanks from students and their children after receiving their backpack:



"Just wanted to say THANK YOU!!!! for all you have done for me through my college life, along with helping me with school supplies and a backpack for my son for the last two years also. It helped us out so very much, I am off to my new educated life. Thank You All, You Will Be Missed." "Thank you for the backpacks. I loooooove them I can't wait to go back to school."

"Thank you for your kindness and for the school supplies. I hope that everyone that goes to school in Clark College does really good."

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