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2026 School Resource List

Get Back-to-School Help

We know that getting ready for the kids to go back to school can be a stressful time for families. We have come up with some ideas to help with that stress. If your county is not listed here please call us at 833-201-5557 for assistance.

All Counties

211info: Call 211 or visit 211info to find active children's clothing banks, school supply distributions, and family support resources specific to your Oregon county

Call your local **Salvation Army**. Most locations require a photo ID, a piece of mail that verifies your address, and some form of identification for each child (medical card, school ID, social security card).

Local Assistance & Vouchers: Many **St. Vincent de Paul** council offices and thrift stores provide direct assistance, free school clothing, backpacks, or redeemable store vouchers for low-income families

Local churches and YMCAs: Many faith-based groups and community centers hold free August giveaway events

Schoolhouse Supplies: Where to Find School Supplies in the Community – Summer 2026

➔ **Facebook Resources**

These are some common names for Facebook groups or pages that offer free or inexpensive resources. Varies by region. Search for your city or region name with these terms to find resources near you:

- Dollar Auction
- Free to You
- Buy Nothing
- Families Helping Families

➔ Or search Facebook Marketplace for free items

Baker County

Local Clothing and Supply Programs

➔ **Marla's Mall (Baker City)**

- **What they offer:** A student-run thrift shop providing entirely **free clothing, school supplies, shoes, personal grooming items, and books** to local students, their families, and community members.
- **Where:** Corner of 9th Street and G Street (brick building in the parking lot between Baker High School and the football stadium).
- **Hours:** Open Monday through Thursday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM during the school year. *Note: Due to updated safety guidelines, access for the general public requires an appointment, but direct student access remains open.*

➔ **Baker City Backpack Program**

- **What they offer:** While primarily known for bridging the gap for students facing food insecurity with weekend food packs, they coordinate closely with local schools to distribute emergency backpacks and resources.
- **How to access:** Contact your child's school counselor or administrator directly to ask about backpacks or supplemental supply kits distributed through this network.

Clackamas County

Clothing Resources

Once Upon A Child Clackamas, OR
Provides free, gently used clothing, shoes, and personal items for K–12 students in need. Families can request items by contacting their student's school principal, school counselor, or via Tumwata Family Resources.

Wichita Center
Operates a clothing closet and food pantry for district families, accepting and distributing clothes and shoes from size 4T up to adult sizes appropriate for teenagers. Located at 6031 SE King Rd, Milwaukie, OR.

The Canby Center
Offers basic free clothing and family support programs for individuals in the Canby area.

Sandy Community Action Center
Provides clothing vouchers and emergency assistance for residents within the Oregon Trail School District. Call 503-668-4746 for eligibility and details.

Clackamas Service Center
Offers emergency clothing, hygiene items, and food support during weekday service hours at 8800 SE 80th Ave.

Clatsop County

➔ **schoolhousesupplies.org**

Assistance League of the Columbia Pacific is perhaps best known for our signature program, Operation School Bell which provides **NEW** school clothing to students in need in K-12. The program serves all five Clatsop County school districts; Astoria, Warrenton-Hammond, Seaside, Jewell. Knappa and Naselle in Pacific County. We clothe students two times per year; once in the fall and again in the spring. We partner with school Counselors, Principals and other school staff to decide who will participate, typically using the Free and Reduced Lunch program as a guideline.

Coos County

ARK Project - Coos Bay School District 817 S 10th Street Coos Bay, OR 97420 ... strict Hours: Saturday, August 15, 2026 10am-1pm. Offering back packs, school supplies, clothing, food, games

Jackson County

School Supplies & Resource Events

White City Pathfinders & Jackson Care Connect Drive: Providing free backpacks, notebooks, binders, pens, pencils, crayons, and rulers. Families can register through the White City Pathfinders Sign-up Form.

The Maslow Project: Focuses on helping unhoused or at-risk youth and families. They provide free backpacks, school supplies, clothing, and hygiene products. Learn more or request assistance via the Maslow Project.

Southern Oregon KidSpree: A long-running program matching volunteers with eligible children to go shopping for back-to-school clothing, ending with a backpack full of supplies. Inquire through the Jackson County Community Services Consortium.

Free Clothing Programs

Medford Gospel Mission (Outfit Outlet): Offers free clothing to anyone in need, allowing individuals or families to pick out one outfit every day. Details are hosted on FindHelp Medford.

Jackson County Foster Parent Association (JCFPA) Warehouse: Provides a free clothing warehouse for all licensed foster and relative caregivers in Jackson County. Membership is not required for clothing. Check hours at the JCFPA Clothing Warehouse.

ACCESS Resource Navigation: Offers guidance and placement for families looking for free clothing, food, and basic necessities. Connect with them through ACCESS Helps.

Jefferson County

School District Support

Family Access Network (FAN): FAN advocates work directly within schools to connect needy families with shoes, clothing, school supplies, and other basic necessities. Contact your child's specific school office or counselor to be connected to a FAN advocate.

McKinney-Vento Act Services: If your family is experiencing unstable housing or homelessness, the district provides specialized support, including immediate school supplies, clothing, and enrollment assistance. Reach out to the district's homeless liaison through Jefferson County School District 509J Student Services.

Josephine County

School District Programs

Campus Closets: Run by the Josephine County Foundation, these boutique-style setups provide free clothing, shoes, hygiene items, and school supplies directly to students facing economic hardship. Contact your child's local school administration or counselor to gain access.

Rogue River School District Campus Clothing Closets: Provides free winter coats, shoes, socks, undergarments, and hygiene products. Access is available during school hours by appointment; families should contact their school secretary to set up a visit.

Community Organizations & Resources

Maslow Project (Grants Pass): Located at the Josephine Community Library Grants Pass branch, this mobile and resource-center network provides backpacks, school supplies, and clothing via "Jessica's Closet" specifically for unhoused or at-risk youth and families.

Josephine County Toys for Tots: Partners with community locations like Calvary Chapel Grants Pass to host annual school supply and backpack distribution drives leading up to the school year.

Dorcas Community Service: Operated by the Seventh-day Adventist Church at 1360 Northeast 9th Street in Grants Pass, they offer free clothing for children and families. Appointments can be made by calling 541-476-2052.

Williams Free Store: Located at 285 East Fork Road in Williams, this church-run resource lets families browse and pick up free children's items and clothing. You can check availability by calling 541-846-6785.

St. Vincent de Paul (Grants Pass): Offers emergency social services, including clothing assistance, for local families in need.

Klamath County

Free Clothing & Vouchers

Operation School Bell: Run by the Assistance League of Klamath Basin, this program works through school counselors and public school professionals to identify children in need. Qualified children receive approximately $110–$125 in clothing certificates/vouchers (redeemable at local stores like Fred Meyer) for new clothes, shoes, socks, underwear, plus hygiene kits and winter accessories. Parents should contact their child's school counselor to apply

Lane County

Project Hope is a back-to-school giveaway that happens in 5 locations on one weekend, serving pre-selected K-12 students from four school districts: Bethel, Eugene 4J, Junction City, and Springfield.

Students must have a ticket to attend and access new athletic shoes, socks, a backpack filled with school supplies, and other resources. The giveaways happen at fun, family-friendly fairs!

How do I get a ticket for my child?
Tickets to Project Hope are distributed through your school district (Bethel, Eugene 4J, Junction City, and Springfield School Districts) starting in mid-August.

Linn County

Albany-Area Back-to-School Resources

- **Back to School Bash**
  - **Date:** Saturday, August 15, 2026 (12:00 PM-1:30 PM)
  - **Details:** At United Church, 3705 Columbus St SE, Albany, OR. Free backpacks, school supplies, and activities for kids kindergarten through 5th grade.
- **Boys & Girls Club of Albany (Flapjacks & Backpacks):**
  - **Date:** August 22, 2026 (9:00 AM – 12:00 PM)
  - **Details:** Offers school supplies, a pancake breakfast, haircuts, and dental screenings for pre-selected Club kids.
- **Fish of Albany, Inc.:** Provides free school supplies, clothing, and household goods for families in need

Malheur County

Oregon Child Development Coalition (OCDC) Malheur County: OCDC frequently partners with local campaigns (such as corporate backpack giveaways) to distribute free backpacks filled with essential school items to local children. Check updates via the OCDC Malheur County Community Page.

Love in the Name of Christ (Love INC): This regional network serves Malheur County residents and coordinates free school supplies, backpacks, hygiene kits, and housewares. You can reach a intake manager to process a request by calling **208-414-5683**

Free School Clothing Assistance

- **Family Resource Pantry (Ontario, OR):** Managed by the Treasure Valley Children's Relief Nursery, this resource center provides free essential children's clothing to low-income families and caregivers across Malheur County. You can view services on the Treasure Valley Children's Relief Nursery Website or call **541-823-2526**.
- **McKinney-Vento & TANF Clothing Allowances:** If your family is experiencing housing instability or receives TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families), your school district provides dedicated clothing vouchers or cash funds for back-to-school items. For instance, you can contact the Nyssa School District Homeless Liaison at **541-372-2275 (ext. 4436)** to see if your student qualifies for a clothing voucher or direct allocation.
- **The Little Red House Thrift Store (Ontario, OR)**: Located at 829 Southwest 2nd Avenue, this local community store offers heavily discounted and bargain gently-used clothing specifically covering Malheur County residents.
- **List of clothing programs in Ontario from findhelp.org.**

Marion County

Major School Supply Giveaways

- **Boys & Girls Club of Salem, Marion and Polk Counties**: Hosting a **Back-to-School Backpack Giveaway** on **Saturday, August 15, 2026**, from **9:00 AM to 12:00 PM** at the Knudson Branch (**1395 Summer St. NE, Salem, OR**). Free for grades K-12 (child must be present; walk-up only, one backpack per student while supplies last). Includes backpacks, school supplies, toothbrush kits, and water bottles.
- **The Salvation Army of Marion & Polk Counties:** Offers seasonal back-to-school distributions and ongoing family support resources. Contact the Salem Kroc Center local office for schedule specifics.

Clothing & Ongoing Support

- **Operation School Bell (Assistance League of Salem)**: Provides new school clothing, shoes, and hygiene items directly through requests processed by local school counselors. Check with your student's school office or counselor to request a referral.
- **Local Clothing Closets & Nonprofits:** Organizations like the **Union Gospel Mission of Salem Mission Store** provide free everyday and children's clothing, and regional groups like **Resource Connections of Oregon** list local rural assistance (such as Mt. Angel's community aid program)

Multnomah County

- [Salvation Army Back to School Fair]

Visit the event page for more information and to view full-size flyer.

Event Details: Free school supplies
Event Date: Saturday, August 15, 2026 at 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Admission: FREE
Location: 8219 NE Glisan St Portland, OR 97220

Project Lemonade
The **Project Lemonade store** is open year-round to serve the needs of **foster youth.** The store provides a welcoming environment staffed with trained volunteers, where youth can select from a range of new and nearly new clothes, shoes, backpacks, and accessories.

Washington County

Local Community Events & Giveaways

Beaverton Resource Center Family Resource Fair: Offers free school supplies (grades K-5) and community resources on Friday, August 7, 2026, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at 13565 SW Walker Road, Beaverton.

M&M Marketplace Back to School Event: The 22nd annual free family event in Hillsboro provides free school supplies (while supplies last; children must be present) alongside family activities.

Local Church & Non-Profit Drives: Several area churches and groups—such as local Back-to-School Bashes—host mid-August backpack and supply distributions. Check updates via 211info for newly added neighborhood pop-ups.

District-Specific & Ongoing Programs

Beaverton School District (Clothes for Kids): Provides free new and gently used clothing and shoes to registered BSD students in need. Sessions are appointment-based; schedule via ParentSquare or call 503-356-4322.

Tigard-Tualatin School District (Caring Closet): Provides free clothes, shoes, and hygiene products. Access is managed via referrals from school counselors or family partner advocates.

General School/Counselor Referrals: Most public schools in the Hillsboro, Forest Grove, and Beaverton districts keep emergency stocks of supplies and clothing closets. Contact your specific school's front office or counselor directly for immediate aid.

Native Resources

The nine federally recognized tribes in Oregon (such as the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Siletz, and Umatilla) typically run annual school clothing and supply programs or stipends through their respective Education or Social Services departments for enrolled youth.

Urban and Community Nonprofits: Organizations such as NAYA in the Portland metro area or regional groups like 211info connect families with local back-to-school drives, free backpacks, and children's clothing.

Umatilla County

Community Assistance & Free Clothing

Eastern Oregon Mission & Agape House: Located in Hermiston, this organization partners with local businesses for school supply collections and operates a food and clothing bank to support local students.

Umatilla County CARE Program: This county department links families with essential needs, including emergency clothing vouchers, personal care items, and localized school resource programs.

Goodwill Industries of the Columbia Willamette: While a thrift store, their specific community programs cover Umatilla County and frequently collaborate with local agencies to provide clothing vouchers for children headed back to school.

Most public school districts in **Umatilla County** (such as Umatilla School District, Hermiston, and Pendleton) coordinate directly with local community donations, charities, and teacher programs to provide backpacks, basic supplies, and clothing support for families facing economic hardship.

- **Action:** Call your specific school's main office or district administration building.
- **Ask for:** The **Family-Community Resource Liaison**, school counselor, or social worker. They manage confidential distributions of donated backpacks, uniform pieces, and grade-specific supply lists.
- **McKinney-Vento Act:** If your family is experiencing unstable housing, homelessness, or doubled-up living situations, ask to speak with the district's **McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison**, who can instantly secure emergency supplies, clothing, and transportation support.

Community Action and Local Assistance

CAPECO (Community Action Program for Central Oregon / Umatilla County): Operates emergency service programs that assist low-income families in Umatilla and Morrow counties with immediate economic relief. Contact them for local resource navigation regarding basic family needs.