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Operation Fill-a-Backpack Project

Partners to End Poverty (PEP) is partnering with the Salvation Army to help children get the school supplies they need.

For the fourth year in a row, PEP and the Salvation Army will be running our literacy-themed ‘Operation Fill-a-Backpack’ project. This Poverty Buster is aimed at assisting parents, engaging communities, and building awareness of financial and other barriers to literacy in northeast Saskatchewan.

This initiative is intended for families in need and will aim to provide those who sign up with a backpack and school supplies for their children. Those interested in signing up to receive a backpack may do so at the Salvation Army in Melfort, Nipawin, or Tisdale. Unfortunately we cannot guarantee everyone a backpack, as collected school supplies and donations may run out.

Families are asked to sign up for backpacks before the August 17th deadline. Backpacks will be given out at the Salvation Army on the following dates:

Melfort - August 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Tisdale – August 24 from 1-4 p.m.

Nipawin – August 31 from 1-4 p.m.

Each year many children go back to school without the basic supplies that they need to succeed. PEP and the Salvation Army are working with churches and businesses in the northeast to collect school supplies. The success of this project is dependent on the generous donations of school supplies and financial contributions. All donations are gratefully accepted and can be made at the Salvation Army, as well as various churches, schools, and some local businesses.

“Thank you for helping us to make a difference in the lives of these children,” stated Captain Jennifer Robins of the Salvation Army.

For more information contact:

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