
Gilbert Backpack Buddy Program

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Dear Friends of the Gilbert Community,

We are writing to you on behalf of the Backpack Buddy program that serves students and families in the Gilbert Community School District. This program, sustained by you and our communities for over ten years, has provided six meals and healthy snacks for the weekends and has helped students maintain adequate nutrition and combat hunger. You and your generosity have fed hundreds of students in need. Thank you and bless you!

This year, we have nearly twice as many students enrolled in the program. We are glad we have reached more families, but due to the rising cost of groceries and the increased number of participants, we need to raise more funds. Therefore, we are asking you to consider making a financial donation – either a one-time or monthly gift – to the Backpack Buddy program. Because this organization is staffed completely by volunteers, 100% of the donations are used to buy food.

To make a donation, please send a check to Gilbert Lutheran Church and designate your gift to Backpack Buddies on the memo line. The address is Gilbert Lutheran Church, Box 270, Gilbert, IA, 50105. You can also bring your gift to the church during office hours (9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Tuesday through Friday). The church is located at 135 School Street in Gilbert.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact any of the Backpack Buddy administrators. Our names and contact information are listed at the end of this letter.

Finally, and again, thank you so much for caring for the students and families in our community. This program exists because of your generosity.

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