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1,000 METRO STUDENTS TO RECEIVE FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES AT AGAPE COMMUNITY CENTER BACK-TO-SCHOOL EVENT AUGUST 6

ATLANTA (July 23, 2010)— Due to the economic recession, Agape Community Center,



a nonprofit located in Northwest Atlanta, will host a special “Back-To-School Backpack Giveaway” on **Friday, August 6, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., at Agape Community Center** (2353 Bolton Road, N.W., Atlanta, GA 30318) to assist Metro Atlanta students and families in need.

“Many families have multiple children preparing for back to school which can make it difficult for them to afford the many needed supplies during these tough economic times.” said Nell Benn, Agape Community Center executive director.

During the beginning of the recession, Agape’s event provided backpacks for more than 700 students, many who began lining up hours before the event. This year’s demand is estimated to be even higher and Agape staffers are working around the clock to secure even more donations.

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Numerous donors have joined to make this event possible including: Adminstaff, Inc., Atlanta Area Technical School Barber College, Backpack in the Park, Emory University Graduate Students, First Baptist Church Chattahoochee, The Atlanta Thrashers, Lafarge Building Materials, Inc., National Charity League, Tom Barrow Company, Trinity Presbyterian Church and numerous Northwest Atlanta neighborhood groups.

“No child should go to school without the proper tools necessary to learn,” said Benn. “Agape Community Center serves as a resource for the community to ensure our children are prepared for academic success.”

To donate supplies or help support this community effort, call 770-778-2879.

ABOUT AGAPE COMMUNITY CENTER

The Agape Community Center opened in June of 1997 as an outreach ministry of Trinity Presbyterian Church. The Center now operates as a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization governed by representatives from neighborhoods, churches, and other community organizations.

Our mission is to help neighborhoods build communities. To accomplish this mission, the Center provides programs and facilitates community organizing for the residents of the Bolton Road community in Northwest Atlanta.

The Agape Community Center recognizes the need for resident self determination and citizen empowerment. Therefore, all programs are developed from the feedback and suggestions given by members of the community.

Free Backpacks for students will contain:

Pencils

Pens

Highlighters

Spiral notebooks

3 ring binders

Dividers

Notebook paper

Crayons

Colored pencils

Rulers

Erasers

Scissors

Glue sticks

Pencil pouches

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