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Benton County Sheriff's Office School Supply Drive

CORVALLIS, Ore. – The Benton County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) is sponsoring their 13th annual Back to School Supply Drive now through September 5th. The community is invited to take part in this annual event.

If you're interested in donating to the supply drive, backpacks have historically been a large need for students of low-income families returning to school. Monetary donations will also be accepted. Just \$30 can provide one student with supplies for an entire year.

Other supplies needed include:

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| ○ Copy paper | ○ Index cards | ○ Highlighters |
| ○ Dry-erase markers | ○ Post-it pads | ○ Crayola Crayons |
| ○ Three-ring binders | ○ Pencil bags or boxes | ○ Glue and glue sticks |
| ○ Notebooks | ○ Hand sanitizer | ○ Rulers |
| ○ Pencils | ○ Tissues | ○ Folders |
| ○ Wide-ruled paper | ○ Markers | ○ Not accepted: used supplies and books |
| ○ Scissors | ○ Erasers | |

Supplies gathered will be divided and distributed between five rural schools, Alsea Elementary, Blodgett Elementary, Kings Valley Charter School, Monroe Elementary, and Muddy Creek Charter School, immediately following the event.

"I want to thank the Benton County community for the continued support of this vitally important project, making sure kids in rural Benton County have the resources and supplies they need to begin the school year," stated Sheriff Jef Van Arsdall. "As a result of the Benton County community's continued commitment to our youth, we have an opportunity to make a positive impact on their lives".

Cash or supplies may be dropped off or mailed to the Benton County Sheriff's Office, attention The Sheriff's Foundation, at 180 NW 5th St, Corvallis, 97330. Please contact Sgt. Leslie Thilberg with any questions at 541-766-6858.

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