



Immediate Release

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Cityteam Chester's Annual Backpack Program For 2,200 Children In Need

Chester, PA., - - August 17th, 2017 - - Cityteam Chester, a non-profit organization serving low-income families and the homeless throughout the greater Delaware Valley is proud to continue it's annual Cityteam Backpack program, giving all the necessary school supplies for 2,200 children that have pre-registered. The carnival event will include lunch for the whole family while the children enjoy games, prizes, cotton candy, ice cones, music, and an inspirational message and blessing for the school year. The fun carnival event gives parents and kids the opportunity to get to know each other before the school year starts.

DATE & TIME: **Saturday, August 19th, 10 AM - 1 PM**

LOCATION: **Chester City Basketball Courts located at 7th Street and Penn Street, Chester, PA**

We appreciate the following companies for donating to this important event: Herr Foods Inc. Collins Family Markets - ShopRite, PepsiCo, Inc., Stroehmann Bakeries, Sysco Philadelphia, and Spectra Food Services.

Anna Donahoe, Cityteam's Family Services Supervisor has been working on this event for months to prepare to help 2,200 children and make sure we have the grade appropriate backpack waiting for them. "The children registered for this event are really looking forward to this kick-off to their school year," said Donahoe.

"We are so thankful to all of our donors, corporate partners and over 100 volunteers that have made this event possible," said Kwinn Tucker, Director of Cityteam Chester. "The families that we serve also receive additional help throughout the year to make sure their children have enough food and other essential care. We provide groceries, coats, clothing, and toiletries. Most of these children are from the local Delaware Valley but we partner with other agencies so children that are unable to attend this event can get the help they need too," said Tucker.

Cityteam is a non-profit organization helping low-income families and the homeless by providing hot meals, emergency food boxes, safe shelter, showers, clean clothing, counseling, case-management, education, computer training, career enhancement, long-term recovery program and a mother and baby program serving over 600 mothers and 2,000 children with diapers, formula and other essential care year round.