

# >>> Kindergarten Readiness K-Ready Kids Backpack Drive



Children who enter kindergarten ready to learn are more likely to attain their third-grade reading level and graduate from high school. If families are not tied into a formal preschool, headstart, or childcare program they don't necessarily have easy access to resources. These caregivers might not understand what is expected of their child at this age education-wise or how to help them get there.

## WHAT IS K-READY KIDS?

K-Ready Kids provides backpacks filled with developmentally appropriate materials to children entering kindergarten. These backpacks include age-appropriate books, materials to help build fine motor skills, and parent resources and activities that help them learn more about where their child is at developmentally.

## WHO BENEFITS FROM K-READY KIDS

K-Ready Kids works with local schools, childcare agencies, and Headstart to connect with the children most in need. The resources in these backpacks also support families and caregivers, as well as community partners and schools that work with our most at-risk youth.

## HOW CAN I HELP SUPPORT MY COMMUNITY?

Our K-Ready Backpacks are most in need of new or gently used kindergarten-age children's books (ages 3-5).



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