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CBM'S FIRST ANNUAL SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE A HUGE SUCCESS

Donations Benefitted Underprivileged Students Served by the Housing Opportunity Community Partners



(L-R): Some of the donated backpacks & school supplies laid out prior to assembly; Norah Jones, a Staff Accountant at CBM, holding four of the filled backpacks; the backpacks being donated completely filled the back of this Honda CR-V

August 22, 2014 (Bethesda, MD) – Councilor, Buchanan & Mitchell, P.C. (CBM), a leading Bethesda, Maryland-based full-service CPA and business advisory firm, is pleased to announce that their first annual School Supplies Drive resulted in more than \$1,000 worth of school supplies. The final donations were delivered to the Housing Opportunity Community Partners (HOCP) in the form of thirty backpacks, each filled with all of the supplies the recipient student will need for a successful start to their school year.

“CBM has been supporting worthy organizations like the HOCP since 1921,” said Amy L. Stark, Marketing Manager at CBM. “We are thrilled to be able to help the young people in need in Montgomery County start off the school year with all of the supplies they need.”

[Housing Opportunity Community Partners](#), a non-profit partner of the Housing Opportunity Commission of Montgomery County, strives to help low-income families, living in Montgomery County’s subsidized housing, to improve their quality of life, equip them to reach a higher level of self-sufficiency, and to provide them the resources needed to break out of the cycle of poverty.

“The book bags and school supplies were excellent,” said Jonathan Cartagena, Youth Resident Counselor at the Housing Opportunities Commission and lead on this year’s School Supplies Drive. “With the filled book bags and extra supplies CBM donated, we were able to serve a group of 45 kids. I even had a parent come up to me and say, ‘You don’t know how much this helps me. The book bags are amazing and my kids are so happy to start school!’ Thank you from everyone at the HOC and The Emory Grove Family Resource Center.”

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