

Holly Matters

2011 School Supply Drive Under Way

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How quickly summer is passing! The media is promoting “Back to School Sales” as you channel surf your televisions these days. Remember the joys of gathering the fresh new pencils, crayons, notebook paper, binders, and backpacks or book bags, everything to get a wonderful start to the new academic year. Back to school time can be a problem on the minds of many low income parents who have to be responsible for school supplies and clothing for one or more children.

Holly Area Youth Assistance (HAYA) once again is partnering with the Holly Area Chamber of Commerce in sponsoring a School Supplies Drive for financially struggling families of Holly Area School District. Parents of children who may qualify and benefit from this project are asked to contact Karyn Willis, the HAYA office secretary, at (248) 328-3185

Throughout the community there are drop boxes at businesses, government offices, and a variety of other locations. Boxes can be found at the following locations:

Curves of Holly
Ethos Yoga
Holly Public Library
Holly Woodlands
Metro North Credit Union

Physiotherapy Associates
Springfield Township Public Library
Strands Salon
Studio 215
Village of Holly Office

The special efforts of this year’s “Stuff a Bus” event will be held on Saturday, August 27, 2011 at Ganshaw Park, on North Saginaw Street (across from Beacon & Bridge) from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Education is the best poverty prevention tool in our community, and education in turn is fundamental to preventing juvenile delinquency while strengthening youth and families. Stuffing the bus with school supplies is important for kids who are starting school on Tuesday, September 6.

School supplies will be collected through September 1. HAYA asks those willing to establish school supply drop boxes in their place of business, education, service or worship to call the office so that the location can be include in the list of drop sites. To obtain drop boxes, sample school supplies lists and informational flyers or to give cash or store gift card donations, contact Holly Area Youth Assistance at (248) 328-3181 or payable by mail to: **Holly Area Youth Assistance**, 920 E. Baird St., Holly, MI 48442 – Attn: School Supplies Drive.