

2026 Community Back-to-School Backpack Giveaways & Resource Fairs

Many community organizations across the Sacramento region are hosting free backpack and school supply giveaways to help students prepare for the new school year. Below are some upcoming opportunities for GCC families. Please note that some events require advance registration or RSVP, and supplies may be limited.

Date	Event	Time	Location	Highlights	Registration
July 17 (Fri.)	Back 2 School Money Smart Community Day & Giveaway	3:00–6:00 p.m.	240 Seavey Cir, Sacramento, CA 95818	Free backpacks & school supplies, financial literacy activities, community resources, family activities, food, games, raffle prizes, bicycle giveaway	Registration Link
July 18 (Sat.)	FutureReady Youth Workforce & College Resource Fair	12:00–3:00 p.m.	Florin Square, 2251 Florin Rd, Sacramento, CA 95822	Free lunch, backpacks, hygiene bags, employment opportunities, college resources, workshops for youth and families	Registration Link
July 24 (Fri.)	Back to School Resource Fair	5:00–8:00 p.m.	631 Eleanor Ave, Sacramento, CA 95815	Free backpacks, HESC services, live performances, interactive activities, community vendors, listening sessions	Registration Link All participants ages 12 + must register separately and youth must be present.
July 25 (Sat.)	11th Annual Back to School Resource Fair (Yolo County Children's Alliance)	8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	River City High School, 1 Raider Ln, West Sacramento, CA 95691	School supplies, backpacks (K-12), health & dental services, family resources, free dental screenings (appointment required)	Free for Yolo County families.
July 25 (Sat.)	Money Basics Workshop + Backpack Giveaway (Chase Bank)	10:00–11:00 a.m.	Chase Bank, 1331 Florin Rd., Sacramento, CA 95831	Family budgeting workshop, financial education, snacks, backpacks with school supplies	Registration Link RSVP required; supplies limited; RSVP by July 25

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July 25 (Sat.)	Back II School Giveaway	9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.	Shasta Community Park, 7407 Imagination Pkwy, Sacramento, CA 95823	Backpacks, school supplies, raffle, leggings, toiletries	Registration Link
July 25 (Sat.)	Back to School Giveaway	10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	2787 Grove Ave, Sacramento, CA 95815	Fully stocked backpacks, school supplies	Registration Link : limit two backpacks per family while supplies last.
July 25 (Sat.)	Back to School Bash	10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.	Roseville Auto Repair & Lube, 5630 Roseville Rd., Sacramento	School supplies, free haircuts, science activities, entertainment, games, live animals	Free admission.
July 26 (Sun.)	Single Mom Strong Backpack Distribution	11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	The Empowerment Center, by Single Mom Strong, 7525 Auburn Blvd #5, Citrus Heights, CA 95610	Backpack and school supply distribution	Registration Link
July 29 (Wed.)	Sacramento PATH Summer Back-to-School Resource Fair	2:00–6:00 p.m.	La Familia Maple Neighborhood Center, 3301 37th Ave., Sacramento, CA 95824	School supplies, health resources, family organizations, snacks & drinks	Registration Link RSVP by July 24; Arrive early to receive school supplies while supplies last
July 29 (Wed.)	Annual Backpack Giveaway	4:30–6:30 p.m.	Northgate Park 2825 Mendel Way Sacramento, CA 95833	Free backpacks, school supplies, haircuts, food	Registration Link An RSVP does not guarantee a backpack.

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July 30 (Thu.)	Back-to-School Backpack Drive-Thru Giveaway	5:00–8:00 p.m.	Stockton Blvd Partnership Office, 5657 Stockton Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95824	Drive-thru backpack giveaway	One backpack per student; drive-thru only; no walk-ups; while supplies last.
August 1 (Sat.)	Destiny Backpack Giveaway (Rocklin Campus)	11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	6900 Destiny Dr., Rocklin	Free backpacks, school supplies, clothing, shoes, haircuts, bounce houses, crafts, popcorn and more	Registration Link
August 2 (Sun.)	Backpack Drive	2:00 p.m.	6100 Mack Rd, Sacramento, CA 95823	Free backpacks with school supplies for students (K-12)	Free while supplies last.
August 4 (Tue.)	National Night Out & Franklin Boulevard's 9th Annual Backpack Giveaway	5:30–8:00 p.m.	La Familia Maple Neighborhood Center, 3301 37th Ave., Sacramento, CA 95824	Backpack giveaway, toy giveaway, raffle prizes, music, food, children's activities	Free community event. Supplies are limited, so arrive early!
August 8 (Sat.)	Destiny Backpack Giveaway (Sacramento Campus)	10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	9470 Micron Ave, Sacramento, CA 95827	Free backpacks, school supplies, clothing, shoes, haircuts, bounce houses, crafts, popcorn and more	Registration Link
August 9 (Sun.)	Friends & Family Day Community Celebration	Community celebration following the 10:00 a.m. service	BOSS Church 7000 Franklin Blvd., Suite 880 Sacramento, CA 95823	Free backpacks & school supplies, food, haircuts, health resources, music	Free community event. No registration is required.
August 22 (Sat.)	Back 2 School Shoe × Backpack × School Supply Drive	9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	Antioch Progressive Baptist Church 7650 Amherst St Sacramento, CA 95832	Free backpacks, shoes, school supplies, food, drinks, haircuts, braids, live DJ, vendors	Free event while supplies last. Event Open to ALL Children & Youth in Need in Sacramento. Child Must be Present in order to receive items.