

T&E Care seeks school supplies for students

More than 200 students who live in Tredyffrin and Easttown Townships need help for the start of school in September. For the past eight years, T&E Care, a local non-profit group, has held a Summer School Supply Drive for students. This year, the drive will be held from July 14-28 to collect the much needed school supplies and backpacks for local students in need.

Research has shown a direct relationship between school preparedness and student success. In 2013, T&E Care was able to provide school supplies to more than 175 students from backpacks to crayons, pencils and calculators. Students can feel the excitement and relief of starting a new school year prepared with the essentials.

T&E Care accepts any form of assistance from a pack of pencils to a gift card, which can be used for additional supplies, new clothes or shoes, or food for a healthy start to the school day. Gift cards to Walmart, Target, Kmart, Wegmans, Acme, Pathmark, Giant, Staples, Old Navy or Famous Footwear are most

helpful. If you would like to support the School Supply Drive, you can also send a general donation and committee members will purchase the gift cards. General donations and gift cards can be sent to T & E Care attention: SSD, P.O. Box 2111, Southeastern, Pa. 19399. The Tredyffrin Library on Upper Gulph Road in Strafford is one of our drop-off locations for supplies and donations. Donations are being accepted now.

Founded in 2005, the mission of T&E Care is to maintain a network of people who can help provide financial and other material assistance to families in need who reside in and around Tredyffrin and Easttown Townships. In addition to the school supply drive, the organization assists many local families with financial support for living expenses including food, rent, utilities, medical, education and car repairs.

Visit the website at <http://www.tecare.org> and see how you can help. For questions, contact chairwomen Eileen Ryle, Barbara McConnell, Julia Fisher or Amy Ard at schoolsupplies@tecare.org with any questions or offers of support.