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1	713-526-7983 713-526-5425	Grades PK-5	Costs vary	Yes	English
2	713-271-5683 713-860-8208	Grades K-12	Free	No	English, Spanish
3	713-723-2671 713-723-3841	All ages	Costs vary	No	English
4	713-961-3993	Grades PK-8	Free	No	English, Spanish
5	713-837-0311	Grades K-5	Free	No	English, Spanish
6	713-802-7645 713-730-2335	Grades PK-12	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
7	713-528-3663 713-526-5135	All ages	Free	No	English, Spanish
8	713-541-2700 713-266-8002	Grades PK-12	Free	No	English, Spanish
9	713-528-6798 Ext. 2255	Grades PK-12	Free	No	English, Spanish
10	713-864-2824	Ages 0-18	Free	No	English
11	713-547-8661	Grades PK-12	Free	No	English
12	713-556-7200	Grades PK-12	Free	Yes	Arabic, Chinese, English, Spanish, others
13	832-816-0720	All ages	Costs vary	No	English
14	713-468-4516 Ext. 161	Grades PK-12	Free	Yes	English, Spanish
15	281-885-4597	Grades K-12	Free	No	English, Spanish
16	713-228-9411	Grades PK-6	Costs vary	No	English, Spanish
17	713-944-0093	All ages	Free	No	English, Spanish
18	713-748-0700	Grades K-12	Free	No	English
19	512-424-6500	Ages 0-18	Free	No	English, Spanish

	Phone	Ages/Grades Served	Costs	Onsite at Schools	Languages
20	713-466-4785	Boys: Ages 0-8 Girls: Ages 0-13 Women: Adults ages 18+	Free	No	English
21	713-977-9942	All ages	Free	No	English, Spanish
22	832-484-9622 713-643-4396 713-869-3378 713-748-5405 713-633-0530 713-659-8501 713-747-2173 713-781-1061 713-664-9622 281-458-7777 713-726-1606	Grades K-8	Free	No	English, Spanish

Assistance League of Houston

Address: 1902 Commonwealth Street, Houston, TX 77006

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4pm. • Thrift Shop: Wednesday-Friday, 10am-3pm, Saturday, 10am-4pm.

Contact: Jennie Hampton, President of Public Relations

Phone: Office: 713-526-7983. • Thrift Shop: 713-526-5425.

Fax: 713-529-6632

Email: adminassist@assistanceleaguehou.org

Website: <https://www.assistanceleague.org/houston/philanthropic-programs/operation-school-bell>

Local Bus Routes: 32, 40, 56

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-5

Eligibility: Accepts no emergency walk-ins. • School counselors must identify children who qualify for school uniform packages based on established criteria. • A school counselor or principal must request the school uniform packages for a child.

Costs: Costs vary. • Some services are no cost; others are low cost. • Thrift shop charges the cost of goods sold. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Serves HISD schools and those in other school districts.

Languages: English

Direct Services: Provides school uniform packages to disadvantaged families having school-aged children. • Clothing is appropriate for school. • Also has a thrift shop.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Houston

Address: 6437 High Star Drive, Houston, TX 77074

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-6pm

Contact: Alistine Turnbull-Blackshear, Director of Programs

Phone: Office: 713-271-5683. • Programs: 713-860-8208.

Fax: 713-271-0587

Email: atouchstone@bbbstx.org

Website: <http://www.bbbstx.org/backtoschool>

Local Bus Routes: 9, 47

Ages/Grades Served: Grades K-12

Eligibility: Recipients of back-to-school supplies must be participants in Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Houston. • Requires an appointment.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides Little Brothers and Little Sisters and their siblings with a backpack full of school supplies appropriate to their grade level.

Christian Community Service Center Inc.

Area Served: Houston ZIP Codes: 77031, 77036, 77072, and 77074.

Location	Address	Phone	Days/Hours	Bus Routes
Central	3434 Bernard Street, Houston, TX 77027	713-961-3993	Monday-Friday, 10am-2pm, Saturday, 9am-12pm	25, 82, 84
Southwest	6856 Bellaire Boulevard, Houston, TX 77074	713-328-0194	Monday-Tuesday, 10am-1pm, Thursday- Friday, 10am-1pm, Saturday, 9am-12pm	2, 9, 47
Resale Shop	5413 Bellaire Boulevard, Bellaire, TX 77401	713-665-4000	Monday-Saturday, 10am-5pm	33, 65

Contact: Michelle Shonbeck, Executive Director

Days/Hours:

Fax: 713-961-1548

Email: ccsc@ccschouston.org

Website: <https://www.ccschouston.org/emergencyservicescentral>

Ages/Grades Served: Basic Needs: All ages. • School Supplies: Grades PK-8.

Eligibility: Offers help on a first come, first served basis. • Requires an appointment for help with rent or utilities. • Food pantry limits assistance to a five-day supply of food.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Offers a vision care program at several HISD elementary schools.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides back-to-school supplies and vouchers for a new school uniform and/or shoes. • Also provides help with clothing, food, and rent or utility payments. • Food pantry offers food for persons who are hungry or food insecure. • Provides referrals to social services for childcare, healthcare, and housing assistance.

City of Houston – Mayor’s Back to School Fest

Address: 901 Bagby Street, Houston, TX 77002

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Susan Bono

Phone: Registration: 713-837-0311. • Programs: 832-393-1037 or 832-393-0867.

Fax: Not available

Email: General questions: 311@houston.tx.gov. • Programs: susan.bono@houston.tx.gov.

Website: <http://www.houston.tx.gov/btsf>

Local Bus Routes: 40, 85, 219

Ages/Grades Served: Grades K-5

Eligibility: Requires registration by phone or on the website in order to participate. • Requires proof of identity and an event confirmation.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides eligible students with backpacks, school uniforms, basic school supplies, dental and vision screenings, and immunizations.

DePelchin Children’s Center

Address: 4950 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77007

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Ashley Garner; President and Chief Executive Officer

Phone: 713-802-7645 or 713-730-2335

Fax: 713-802-3801

Email: advancement@depelchin.org

Website: <https://www.depelchin.org/gifts-in-kind>

Local Bus Routes: 27

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: Families must demonstrate a need for help with school supplies.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Offers school-based programs for elementary and middle schools aimed at positive youth development and prevention of bullying, delinquency, and substance abuse.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides students with grade-appropriate school supplies. • Also helps families to deal with managing anger, anxiety, behavior problems, depression, family conflict, loss and grief, school problems, and resolving trauma.

Emergency Aid Coalition

Address: 5401 Fannin Street, Houston, TX 77004

Area Served: Harris County

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-1pm

Contact: Lydia Smyth, Program Director

Phone: 713-528-3663 or 713-526-5135

Fax: 713-528-2650

Email: lsmyth@eachouston.org

Website: <http://www.eachouston.org/programs.html>

Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 56

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Requires proof of identity, proof of income, and proof of residence. • Requires registration and an intake interview. • Must be a client to obtain backpacks, supplies, and uniforms. • Requires photographic identification (photo ID) for parents and birth certificates for each child.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides school uniforms, backpacks, and grade-appropriate school supplies.

House of Charity

Address: 10802 Sugar Hill Drive, Suite A, Houston, TX 77042

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm

Contact: Hareem Shahzad

Phone: 713-266-8002; 832-906-1540

Fax: 713-266-8003

Email: info@houseofcharity.com

Website: <http://www.houseofcharity.com/educational%20resource.htm>

Local Bus Routes: 153, 161

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: Focuses on disadvantaged, inner-city students and schools.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides immediate relief for inner-city teachers in need of school supplies for their classrooms and students.

Houston Area Women's Center

Address: 1010 Waugh Drive, Houston, TX 77019

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-9pm and Saturday, 8am-5:30pm

Contact: Pam Hobbs

Phone: 713-528-6798 Ext. 2255

Fax: 713-535-6363

Email: phobbs@hawc.org

Website: <http://www.hawc.org/en/support-us/back-to-school-project-2016>

Local Bus Routes: 40, 56

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: Must be a child receiving services at the Center.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English, Spanish, and 200+ other languages available through the Language Line

Direct Services: Distributes new backpacks and school supplies to the children receiving services at the Center, who are children who have experienced sexual abuse and exploitation, domestic violence, and/or were witnesses to such crimes.

Houston Children's Charity

Address: 1600 West Loop South, Suite 610 Houston, TX 77027

Area Served: Greater Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday 9AM-5PM (Closed 12-1)

Contact: Rebecca Hernandez

Phone: 713-864-2824 General questions: 713-524-2878

Fax: 713-524-3199

Email: rebecca@houstonchildrenscharity.org

Website: houstonchildrenscharity.org

Local Bus Routes: 20, 27, 71

Ages/Grades Served: depending on program, 0-18, PK-12th.

Eligibility: low income or free/reduced lunch recipients

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English

Direct Services: Provides children with backpacks and basic school supplies. • Offers prosthetic devices to children who have lost limbs and offers accessible vehicles to families of children with mobility impairments. • Operates a clothing closet. • Provides air conditioners and beds for children whose families do not have them.

Houston Food Bank

Area Served: Greater Houston

Location	Address	Phone	Bus Routes
Office	535 Portwall Street, Houston, TX 77029	713-223-3700	11, 97
Teachers Aid Center	8353 East Freeway, Houston, TX 77019	713-547-8661	11, 97

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm, Saturday, 8:30am-12pm

Contact: School Programs Coordinator

Fax: Not available

Email: TeachersAid@houstonfoodbank.org

Website: <http://www.houstonfoodbank.org/programs/teachers-aid>

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: Requires that the Backpack Buddy Site Coordinator at a school first submit a teacher roster, then individual teachers register before they schedule a shopping visit.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English

Direct Services: Provides school supplies to teachers in schools where 70% or more of students are on free or reduced-price lunch and who participate in the Backpack Buddy Program of the Houston Food Bank.

Houston Independent School District – Strategic Partnerships Back to School Fest

Address: 4400 West 18th Street, Houston, TX 77092

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm

Contact: Rose Adams, Strategic Partnerships

Phone: 713-556-7200

Fax: Not available

Email: callen11@HoustonISD.org

Website: <http://www.HoustonISD.org/Page/89139>

Local Bus Routes: 26, 85

Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12

Eligibility: Requires student enrollment at an HISD campus.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: Yes

Languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides backpacks of school supplies for HISD students.

Jacobs Ladder of Convenience

Address: PO Box 451334, Houston, TX 77245
Area Served: All of Houston and some surrounding areas
Days/Hours: Monday-Sunday, 24 hours/day
Contact: Rhonda Jacobs, Executive Director
Phone: 832-816-0720
Fax: Not available
Email: rhonda@jloc1.org
Website: www.jloc1.org
Local Bus Routes: Not available
Ages/Grades Served: All ages
Eligibility: n/a
Costs: n/a
Onsite at Schools: No
Languages: English, Spanish
Direct Services: School supplies, uniforms, food baskets, and classes

Memorial Assistance Ministries – Back to School Program

Address: 1625 Blalock Road, Houston, TX 77080
Area Served: Houston ZIP Codes: 77008, 77009, 77018, 77022, 77024, 77037, 77039, 77040, 77041, 77043, 77055, 77076, 77088, 77079, 77080, 77091, and 77092.
Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm
Contact: Bill Ogman, Development Officer
Phone: 713-468-4516 Ext. 161
Fax: Not available
Email: Not available
Website: <http://www.maministries.org/backtoschool>
Local Bus Routes: 26
Ages/Grades Served: Grades PK-12
Eligibility: School counselors and nurses identify the need for back to school clothing at each school. • Must live within the service area.
Costs: Free
Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Works with campus staff to identify needs for dress-code clothing.
Languages: English, Spanish
Direct Services: Provides shopping vouchers for clothing to schools for distribution to families identified as in need of assistance. • Clothing meets school dress codes.

Northwest Assistance Ministries – Back to School Project

Address: 15555 Kuykendahl Road, Houston, TX 77090
Area Served: Houston ZIP Codes: 77014, 77032, 77038, 77050, 77060, 77064, 77066, 77067, 77068, 77069, 77070, 77073, 77086, 77090, 77379, 77388, and 77389.
Days/Hours: Monday, 9am-11am, Tuesday, 5pm-6:30pm, Wednesday, 9am-11am, Friday, 9am-11am
Contact: Becky Landes, Vice President of Program Services
Phone: 281-885-4597
Fax: 281-583-5616
Email: vlandes@namonline.org
Website: Not Available
Local Bus Routes: 86
Ages/Grades Served: Grades K-12
Eligibility: Must live within the service area. • Requires proof of address, proof of birth, proof of household income, and photographic identification (photo ID) for adults.
Costs: Free
Onsite at Schools: Yes. • Speakers present about violence prevention at schools.

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides vouchers for school supplies for distribution to families in need. • Also provides classes for adult literacy, computer literacy, English as a Second Language (ESL), financial education, and General Education Development (GED).

San Jose Clinic

Address: 2615 Fannin Street, Houston, TX 77002

Area Served: Harris County

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm and 3rd Saturday of each month, 8am-4pm • Eligibility interviews: Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm on a walk-in basis.

Contact: Jini Kuruvilla, Dental Director, or Sherri Onyiego, Medical Director

Phone: 713-228-9411

Fax: 713-228-6371

Email: patientaccess@sanjoseclinic.org

Website: <http://www.sanjoseclinic.org>

Local Bus Routes: 700 (METRO rail), 82, 162

Ages/Grades Served: Healthcare: All ages. • Back-to-school supplies: Grades PK-6.

Eligibility: Requires proof of identity, proof of income, and proof of residence. • Low-income, uninsured individuals and families must complete an eligibility interview. • Limits back-to-school supplies to patients.

Costs: Costs vary. • Charges fees on a sliding scale based on income. • Call to ask about specific costs.

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides patient families with a backpack, grade-appropriate school supplies, and gift cards to buy school uniforms. • Also provides primary and specialty care, eye care, preventative and restorative dental care, laboratory services, a pharmacy, and a patient assistance program.

Southeast Area Ministries

Address: 2102 Houston Boulevard, South Houston, TX 77587

Area Served: Houston ZIP Codes: 77017, 77034, 77061, 77075, 77087, and 77089, and South Houston ZIP Code: 77587.

Days/Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:30am-1:30pm

Contact: Daer Platt, Director of Operations

Phone: 713-944-0093

Fax: Not available

Email: southeministries@sbcglobal.net

Website: <http://southeastareaministries.com/programs>

Local Bus Routes: 76

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Requires proof of identify and proof of address. • Must complete an interview.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides school clothing, shoes, and school supplies to children who are referred by officials at public schools in its service area.

Star of Hope

Address: 6897 Ardmore Street, Houston, TX 77054

Area Served: Houston

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm, Saturday, 8am-2pm

Contact: Gabriella Kocian, Director of children and youth ministries

Phone: 713-748-0700

Fax: Not available

Email: info@sohmission.org

Website: <http://www.sohmission.org/ways-to-give/urgent-ongoing-needs/school-supply-needs>

Local Bus Routes: 28

Ages/Grades Served: Grades K-12

Eligibility: Must be a homeless child who is enrolled in school.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English

Direct Services: Provides backpacks of school supplies, clothing such as school uniforms, and other essential items for homeless children.

Texas Health and Human Services Commission – TANF School Subsidy

Address: 4900 North Lamar Boulevard, Austin, TX 78751

Area Served: Texas

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8am-6pm

Contact: Not available

Phone: 512-424-6500

Fax: Not available

Email: Not available

Website: <https://yourtexasbenefits.hhsc.texas.gov/programs/tanf/families>

Local Bus Routes: Not available

Ages/Grades Served: Ages 0-18

Eligibility: Requires proof of income. • Must meet income requirements. • Must accept and follow program participation conditions and requirements.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Helps families to pay for basic living needs such as: food, clothing, housing, utilities, laundry, transportation, telephone, household supplies, furniture, and medical supplies.

The Mission of Yahweh Inc.

Address: 10247 Algiers Road, Houston, TX 77041

Area Served: Shelter: Harris County. • Food Pantry: Houston ZIP Code 77041 only.

Days/Hours: Office: Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm. • Shelter: Monday-Sunday, 24 hours/day.

Contact: Chris Idank, Operations Director

Phone: 713-466-4785

Fax: 713-466-3480

Email: chris.idank@missionofyahweh.org

Website: <http://www.missionofyahweh.org/programs/outreach>

Local Bus Routes: 46

Ages/Grades Served: Women: Adults ages 18+. • Boys: Ages 0-8. • Girls: Ages 0-13.

Eligibility: Shelter is for homeless women and children only. • Children must be eligible ages. • Clients must volunteer for 20 hours per week. • If clients are working part-time, they must volunteer for 10 hours per week.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English

Direct Services: Provides backpacks of back to school supplies to low-income children in the neighborhood. • Also provides food, clothing, and shelter. • Offers help with job readiness, life skills, parenting skills, character development, computer training, counseling, and financial education. • Financial education classes cover budgeting, checking accounts, credit management, and other topics.

West Houston Assistance Ministries

Address: 10501 Meadowglen Lane, Houston, TX 77042

Area Served: Houston ZIP Codes: 77042, 77057, 77063, 77077, and 77082.

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 10am-1pm

Contact: Sonya Scott; Client services

Phone: 713-977-9942

Fax: 713-783-0761

Email: General questions: wham@whamministries.org. • Programs: marianne.spencer@whamministries.org.

Website: <http://whamministries.org/back-to-school-drive>

Local Bus Routes: 25, 82, 161

Ages/Grades Served: All ages

Eligibility: Requires proof of identity, proof of income, proof of residence, and documentation of crisis. • Must live in the service area and must pre-register for assistance.

Costs: Free

Onsite at Schools: No

Languages: English, Spanish

Direct Services: Provides students with supplies required to return to the classroom. • Helps with food, clothing, household items, rent, mortgage, transportation, utilities, and prescriptions, and operates a job lab. • Also offers classes for adult literacy, English as a Second Language (ESL), financial literacy, and General Education Development (GED).

YMCA of Greater Houston – Operation Backpack

Area Served: Greater Houston

Location	Address	Phone	Contact	Bus Routes
Harriet and Joe Foster Family YMCA	1234 West 34th Street, Houston, TX 77018	713-869-3378	Sarah Grai, Youth Development Director	30, 36
Houston Texans YMCA	5202 Griggs Road, Houston, TX 77021	713-748-5405	Mark House, Youth Development Director	900 (METRO rail), 80
Northeast Family YMCA	7901 Tidwell Road, Houston, TX 77028	713-633-0530	Larnell Morgan, Community Executive Director	3, 45, 78
Tellepsen Family Downtown YMCA	808 Pease Street, Houston, TX 77002	713-659-8501	Claudia Sanchez, Youth Development Director	700 (METRO rail), 85, 160
Texas Medical Center Child Care YMCA	5614 H. Mark Crosswell Jr. Street, Houston, TX 77021	713-747-2173	Elizabeth Beltran, Youth Development Director	4, 11
Trotter Family YMCA	1331 Augusta Drive, Houston, TX 77057	713-781-1061	Lesley Zimmer, Youth Development Director	32, 47, 49
Weekley Family YMCA	7101 Stella Link Boulevard, Houston, TX 77025	713-664-9622	Tamina Allen, Executive Director Tamina.Allen@ymcahouston.org	2, 10, 402
Wendel D. Ley Family YMCA	15055 Wallisville Road, Houston, TX 77049	281-458-7777	Larnelle Morgan, Community Executive Director Larnelle.Morgan@ymcahouston.org	N/A
West Orem Family YMCA	5801 West Orem Drive, Houston, TX 77085	713-726-1606	Steve Evans, Community Executive Director	49