

Community Outreach

GCI continues its commitment to positively impact the lives of Georgians through community outreach projects. Even while dealing with the new daily operational challenges brought on by the global pandemic, we met our goal of providing backpacks for school-aged children in Georgia's foster care.

GCI staff, along with offenders assigned to Pulaski Garment and Hancock Embroidery Plants, produced 500 backpacks with colorful and beautifully embroidered flaps. This year's design was enhanced to include an interior pocket as well as a water bottle pocket on the outside of each backpack. The backpacks were delivered to DeKalb County Department of Family and Children Services (DFCS) on July 10, 2020. They

will be filled with school supplies donated by other DFCS community partners. The filled backpacks will be distributed to children most in need in DeKalb and Fulton counties.

The additional challenges that we now face, social distancing, stringent safety protocols, and the development of new production lines for PPE items, did not deter those involved with this project. Everyone agreed on the importance of this project and stepped up to make it happen. Working together we can make a difference in the lives of others. Our plan is to make this an annual outreach project, and we will seek out additional opportunities within our communities, as we strive to fulfill our vision of "Positively impacting the lives of all Georgians".







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