

PIKES PEAK UNITED WAY & COSILOVEYOU PRESENT

BACKPACK BASH



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Colorado Springs, Aug 5th — This Saturday, Aug. 7th, [Pikes Peak United](#)

[Way](#) and [COSILoveYou](#) will host the second weekend of the “Backpack Bash”. The Backpack Bash is a citywide effort that seeks to provide access to all things back-to-school for thousands of families in need around El Paso County. This includes backpacks filled with essential school supplies, additional health services and the opportunity to have fun as a family in a carnival style setting.

On Saturday, Aug 7th, thousands of backpacks will be distributed to families at the Tri-Lakes YMCA (North), Doherty High School (Central), Coronado High School, (Westside) and Hillside Community Center (Downtown). All Backpack Bash locations will be handing out FREE back-to-school supplies from 9am-1pm. Parents simply have to have their kids with them to receive items. Additionally, each location will have a variety of supportive services. For example, Matthew Vu will be administering back-to-school vaccinations and the COVID vaccine to eligible families at Doherty High School.

COSILoveYou and Pikes Peak United Way are available for interviews. Please call/text as we will be at multiple locations throughout the day and want to ensure the media is given proper access.

For all info regarding the Backpack Bash and attendance details, please visit: backpackbash.com

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About Pikes Peak United Way: Pikes Peak United Way strengthens our community by improving Education, Income and Health – focusing on Youth Success and Family Stability. We all win when we provide a hand up to those living in poverty and those without a home. Everyone has a part to play in creating positive change. For more info, please visit ppunitedway.org

About COSILoveYou: COSILoveYou orchestrates collaborative partnerships to meet practical needs throughout the Pikes Peak region. Working with churches, nonprofits, businesses, school districts and civic partners, we have established supportive partnerships in education, homelessness, and food insecurity. For more information, please visit cosiloveyou.com