



## 2-1-1 Helps a Family Find School Supplies\*

Martha, a married mother of four children, was worried about being able to afford new supplies for the upcoming school year. Her husband was recently laid off and with only one income they were struggling to keep up with their household expenses. Buying school supplies for her children was one more expense they could not handle.

2-1-1 had helped Martha find food pantries recently so she decided to call them again. She received information on community events that offered free backpacks and school supplies. 2-1-1 also referred Martha to a few agencies that could assist her husband in finding a job.

During a follow up call, Martha said that she was very thankful for all of the information 2-1-1 provided her. Although her husband had yet to find a job, he was optimistic about a pending interview opportunity.

*\* Names and events were changed in order to protect client privacy.*

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