



United Way of
San Luis Obispo County



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Stuff the School Bus a Success

San Luis Obispo, Calif. - Since 1997, with the help of hundreds of volunteers and donors, United Way of San Luis Obispo County clothed over 1,500 underprivileged children through its annual ChildSpree program. With the closure last year of the San Luis Obispo Mervyns location, which had been the corporate partner for many years, the ChildSpree program was put on hiatus until 2010.

In order to continue to serve children and give them the tools they need to succeed in school, United Way of San Luis Obispo County collected supplies and literally “stuffed the school bus” on Saturday, August 22. Volunteers gathered at Target in Paso Robles, Office Max in San Luis Obispo, and Walmart in Arroyo Grande to collect supplies for local elementary schools. School buses were provided by San Luis Coastal and Paso Robles School Districts.

Community members came together to address the shortage of funds to our local schools and generously provided a school bus worth of supplies to schools throughout SLO County including Bauer Speck, C.L. Smith, Georgia Brown, Monarch Grove, Pacheco, and schools within Lucia Mar Unified School District.

Local businesses including AT&T, Dr. William Perry, Glenn, Burdette, Phillips & Bryson Tax and Business Advisors, Express, Mission Community Bank, Neal-Truesdale Insurance, SESLOC, and San Luis Sports Therapy collected donations from their employees and clients.

Promoting education and helping children and youth succeed in school is a primary focus area of United Way of SLO County as it works to cut by half the number of young people that drop out of high school. To view [pictures](#) of the Stuff the School Bus event, visit www.unitedwayslo.org.

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