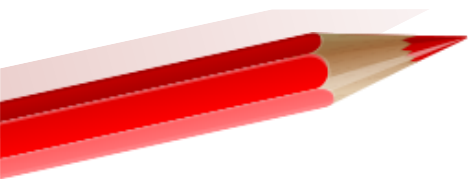
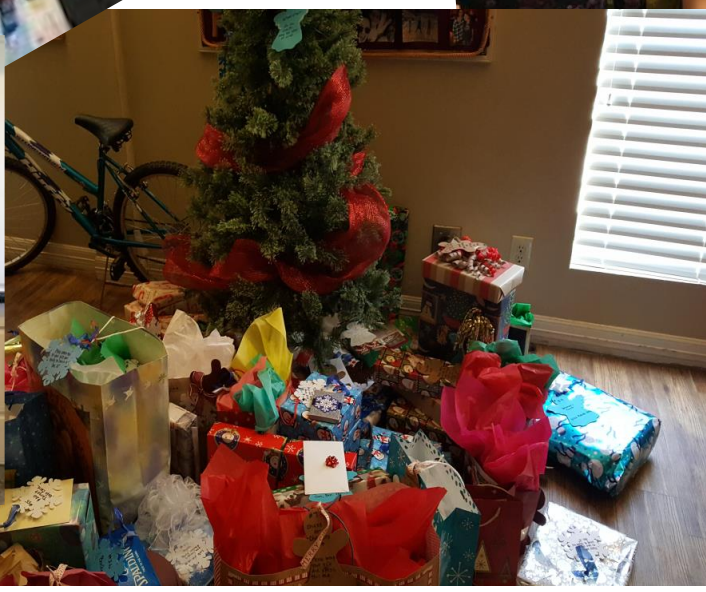




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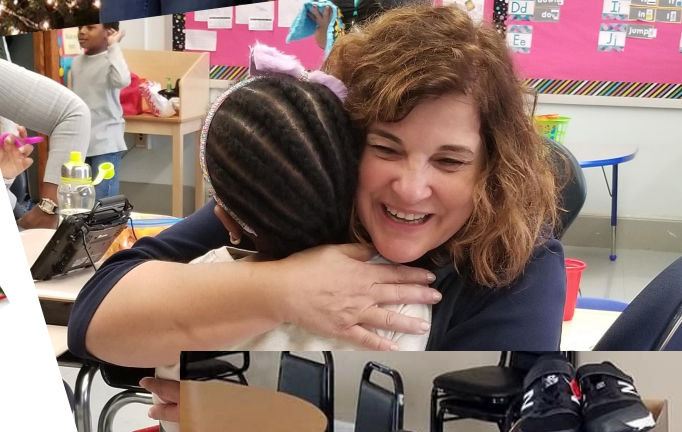
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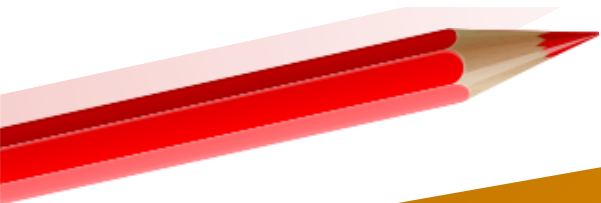
Querida Philo...
¡Mil gracias por la donación de libros! A nuestra clase nos encanta leer y escuchar cuando pensamos en un futuro cuando los leamos de nuevo, gracias por su amabilidad.
Con cariño
Los Mexicanos

Please help St. Katherine's Ladies Philanthropos fill backpacks with school supplies for local children in need.

Join us on
Sun., March 15th
for our first
COMMUNITY BREAKFAST
A TIME TO COME TOGETHER...

to pick up a list and a bag to fill. We will be collecting every Sunday after liturgy in the Mater's Charachos Hall until May 31st.





AUGUST
2020

OPERATION CLASSROOM

INITIATIVE

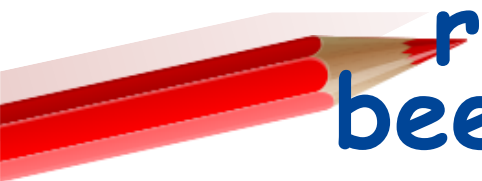




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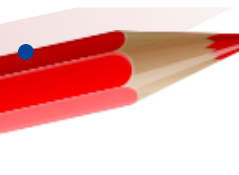
The mission of the Operation Classroom Initiative is to assist and offer support to teachers and students in underserved or underfunded schools and provide resources that who would not have been available through the local school district.



GOALS



Operation Classroom Committee goals continue:

- Every **Metropolis** is to have an Operation Classroom Chairman who will work with an Operation Classroom committee liaison.
 - Every **chapter** is to have an Operation Classroom Chairman in place.
 - Chapters are to share how they are implementing Operation Classroom in their Community and Metropolis.
 - Every chapter is to identify a school educational institution or program to assist.
 - Initiatives and planning for the 2020-2021 School year should be underway.
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LET'S GET STARTED

- Metropolis President Appoints A Metropolis Chairman And Committee
- Chapter President Appoints A Chairman And Committee
- Operation Classroom Committee Member Works With A Metropolis As A Liaison

GETTING IT GOING



Big Picture

- Operation Classroom has been accepted enthusiastically by chapters.
- One of the best features of this initiative is the approach that one size does not fit all.
- Operation Classroom program is designed to be flexible with each chapter designing their outreach to schools and teachers as needed.
- Each chapter should choose how they can best help in their community.



FLEXIBLE OUTREACH

GETTING IT ROLLING



FIND A TEACHER OR EDUCATOR IN YOUR PARISH



LOCATE A SCHOOL IN YOUR PARISH'S NEIGHBORHOOD



WORK WITH THE SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER OR LIAISON



WORK WITH THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR



OPTIONS...

CHAPTER PROJECTS



SO MANY OPTIONS



CHAPTER PROJECTS

OPERATION BACKPACK

Operation Backpack:
Embraced By Many
Philoptochos Chapters
Across The Nation



Many Students Are
Not Able To
Provide Their Own
Supplies

STUDENTS NEED SUPPLIES

Operation Backpack

Embraced By
Many
Chapters



WOW! NEW BACKPACKS!

ASSEMBLY LINES

Youth And Community
Working Together!



NEVER TOO YOUNG TO HELP!

PUTTING IT TOGETHER



PACKING UP



ALL SET FOR DELIVERY

COMMUNITIES
WORKING TOGETHER

COMMUNITIES WORKING TOGETHER
TO HELP OTHERS

PHILOPTOCHOS



AND YOUTH



WORKING TOGETHER



THE FINISHED PRODUCT



**THANK YOU FOR
MAKING A DIFFERENCE!**



OPERATION BACKPACK

COMMUNITY HELPERS

THANK YOU
GOYANS!

EVERYONE CAN MAKE A
DIFFERENCE!

SMILES...PRICELESS



FUN TO GET NEW THINGS!



NEW SUPPLIES

SUPPLY DRIVES



NEVER ENOUGH
SUPPLIES

St. Irene Philoptochos St. John
the Baptist Greek Orthodox
Church Euless Texas

Beginning of Year School Supply
Drive:

We have partnered with our local
elementary school for about 7
years now.



Assumption Cathedral of Denver Chapter



- School Supply Drive: School Supply Drive for McMeen Elementary School.
- When we delivered the items I think the Asst Principal was expecting something a fraction smaller. They had to scramble a bit to find more space but were very pleased.
- The donations included:
 - 89 spiral notebooks
 - 4150 sheets of loose leaf paper
 - 160 markers
 - 682 crayons
 - 170 pens
 - hundreds of post-its
 - 564 pencils
 - 98 highlighters
 - ... and much much more.

PHILOPTOCHOS IN ACTION!

Sorting Out The
School Supplies



KIDS AT WORK

Learning to give back to others



THANK YOU FOR HELPING!

**SUPPLY
DRIVE!**

**Thank You
Future
Philoptochos
Members!!**



THANKS GIRLS!

SUPPLIES

DISINFECTANT
WIPES

PAPER TOWELS

CRAYONS

MARKERS

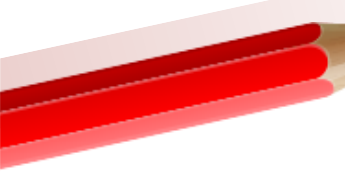
NOTEBOOKS

GLUE

AND SO MUCH MORE
MAKE UP THE
STUDENTS' SUPPLY
LISTS.



GETTING ORGANIZED!



SUPPLIES

GETTING THE ASSEMBLY LINE STARTED

- Tissues
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Paper Towels
- And More.....



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Purchasing School Supplies For Students



FUN TIMES!

SUPPLIES

Getting The
Supplies Boxed
Up And Ready
To Be Delivered
To The
Schools.





OTHER
OPTIONS

COMFORT CLOSETS



OPTION FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH
SCHOOL STUDENTS

PROJECT: COMFORT CLOSET

- Toiletries
- Shampoo
 - Soap
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- And more are collected and placed in school comfort closets.

**OUTREACH TO MIDDLE AND
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**



COMFORT CLOSET

PROVIDING
PERSONAL
HYGIENE ITEMS
FOR STUDENTS



STUDENTS SHOP AS
NEEDED

PERSONAL HYGIENE KITS



ITEMS INDISCREETLY PACKED



READY FOR DELIVERY



THANK YOU!

HYGIENE KITS

Hygiene Kits For Middle
And High School
Students

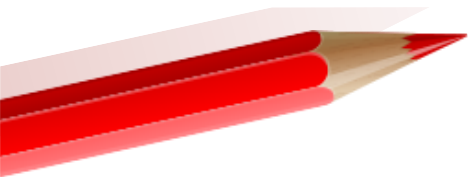
**SAVE THOSE MAKEUP
BAGS!**



**MORE
ESSENTIALS**



CLOTHING DRIVES

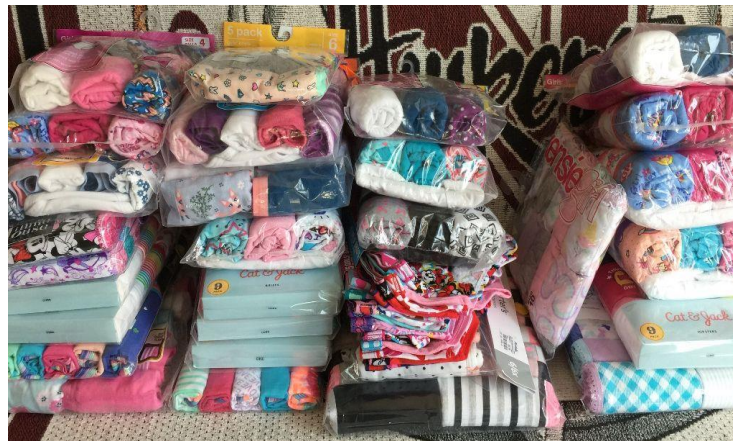


**ESSENTIALS THAT ARE
NEEDED**

St. Catherine Philoptochos Chapter: Greenwood Village Colorado



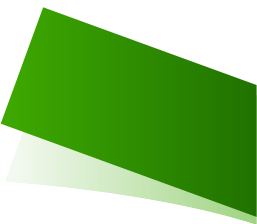
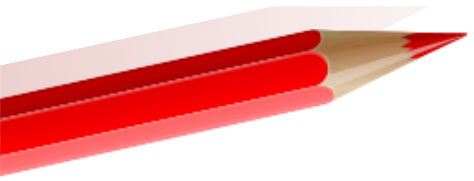
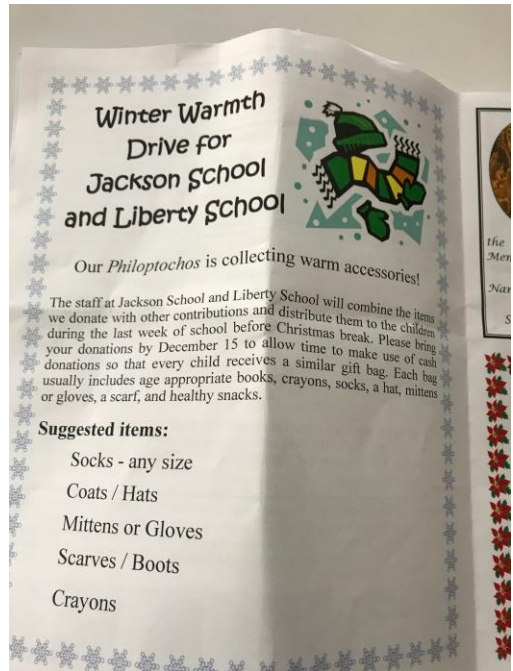
- Undergarment Drive: Our Undergarment Drive for the elementary school we have adopted. The school administrators informed us that many of the children do not have adequate undergarments. So our Philoptochos and our parish made sure that they would.



St. John's Greek Orthodox Church Omaha Nebraska



- Project Warmth: Our parish family collected and donated a vast array of winter items to help keep children warm in Greater Omaha.



CLOTHING DRIVE

Students
Needing Clothes
For Their
School Uniform

PARK STREET UNIFORM





LITERACY

BOOKS FOR ALL!



PUTTING BOOKS IN
CHILDRENS' HANDS

BOOK DRIVE

Philoptochos Making It Possible For Every Child To Own A Book

Keeping Literacy Alive



LET'S READ

BOXES OF BOOKS

Getting Books
Into The Hands
Of Children



BOOK DRIVE

Boxes Of Books
Ready To
Deliver To
Students



SUPER IDEA!

Assumption Cathedral of Denver Chapter

LITERACY CONTINUES

Literary Character Day: Literary Character Day at McMeen Elementary School in Denver CO. The students dressed as their favorite literary character and our chapter enjoyed visiting every classroom to take photos and hear about the wonderful books they had read. (Some characters were boys and girls like you and me no costume required!) A great day!

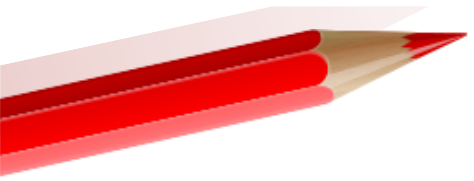
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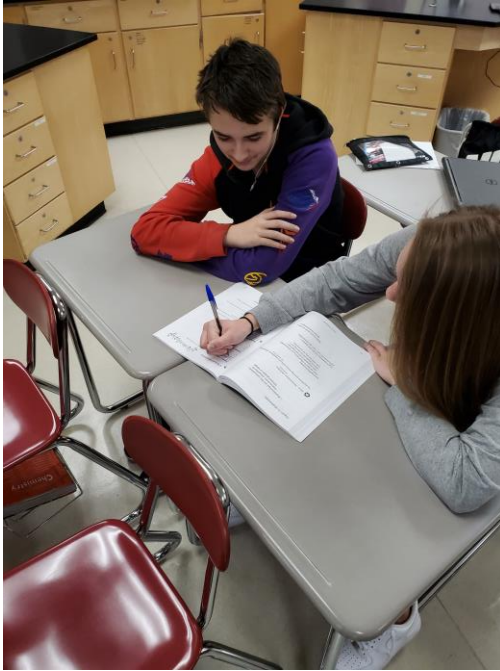
WORKING WITH STUDENTS



HANDS ON ACTIVITY



TUTORING



AFTER SCHOOL SUPPORT



LET'S SUPPORT OUR FUTURE



**KEEPING OUR
KIDS FED**



FOOD DRIVES

**IT'S DIFFICULT TO LEARN
ON AN EMPTY STOMACH**

FOOD PANTRY



HIGH SCHOOL FOOD PANTRY

sponsored by Philoptochos,
Agape Chapter, Raleigh NC

"Many of the families that utilize the food pantry do not have a way to heat meals. Our families have expressed their thanks for the items provided based on their requests. The grab-and-go foods, cereals and pop-top foods have been beneficial in meeting their food needs."

St. Catherine Philoptochos Chapter:
Greenwood Village Colorado

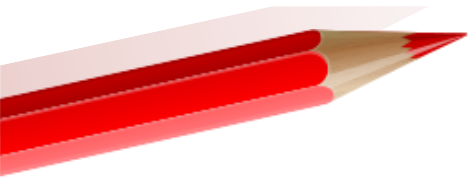
Families In Need Of Meals

- Packing Food Boxes: food is packed up for children and families



MORE ASSEMBLY LINES

FOOD DRIVE



ASSEMBLY LINE FOR MEAL PREPARATION



FOOD DRIVE

No Child Should Be Hungry

SERVING WARM MEALS



PHILOPTOCHOS AT OUR BEST



NOTHING LIKE A WARM MEAL!



FOOD FOR THE WEEKEND

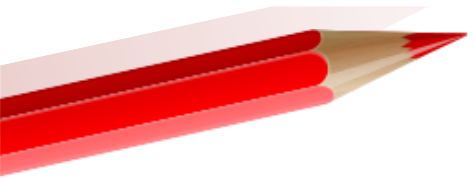


PUTTING TOGETHER WEEKEND PACKAGES

BE FLEXIBLE



OTHER OC OPTIONS



SO MANY OPTIONS!

INCENTIVES

- Students Receiving Tickets To The Movie Theater For Reading
- Hat Mitten And Coat Recipients



CARE PACKAGES



SNACKS



ART SUPPLIES



THE NEED ONCE THE PANDEMIC CAME

ART SUPPLIES



ITEMS READY TO BE DELIVERED

MAKING OUR SCHOOLS BEAUTIFUL



GREEN THUMBS AT
WORK!

St. Irene Philoptochos St.
John the Baptist Greek
Orthodox Church Euless
Texas

Homecoming Basket for a family at our local elementary school: We had a boy and his mother who had been on the move from an abusive husband. They had been living with a friend for the school year and right before school ended the friend said they had to move out. In just a few days we were able to collect as many household items as we could to give them a fresh start in their new apartment.



HOLIDAYS

Remembering
Children During
Christmas And
Other Holidays



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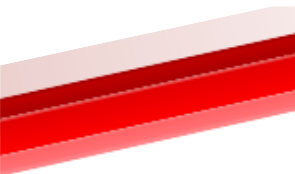
- **Giving Tree Project:** Each year several families from two schools are adopted. We work with the school administrators to determine the families in most need. Our parish is very involved and we collected over 200 gifts for the families this past Christmas. We have been doing this for several years.



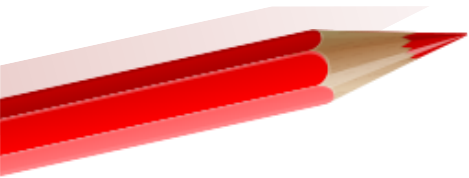
St. Irene Philoptochos St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church



- Christmas for School Families: Each year we partner with a local organization that matches us with school families that are in need during Christmas. Sometimes the school counselor gives us the names of a family. We have a wish list for each family and our parish helps them have a lovely Christmas. We also provide a turkey or ham for their Christmas Dinner. Here are photos from two different years. We have been doing this for about 7 years.



ROCKIN' IN MY SCHOOL SHOES



EVERYONE NEEDS
NEW KICKS!

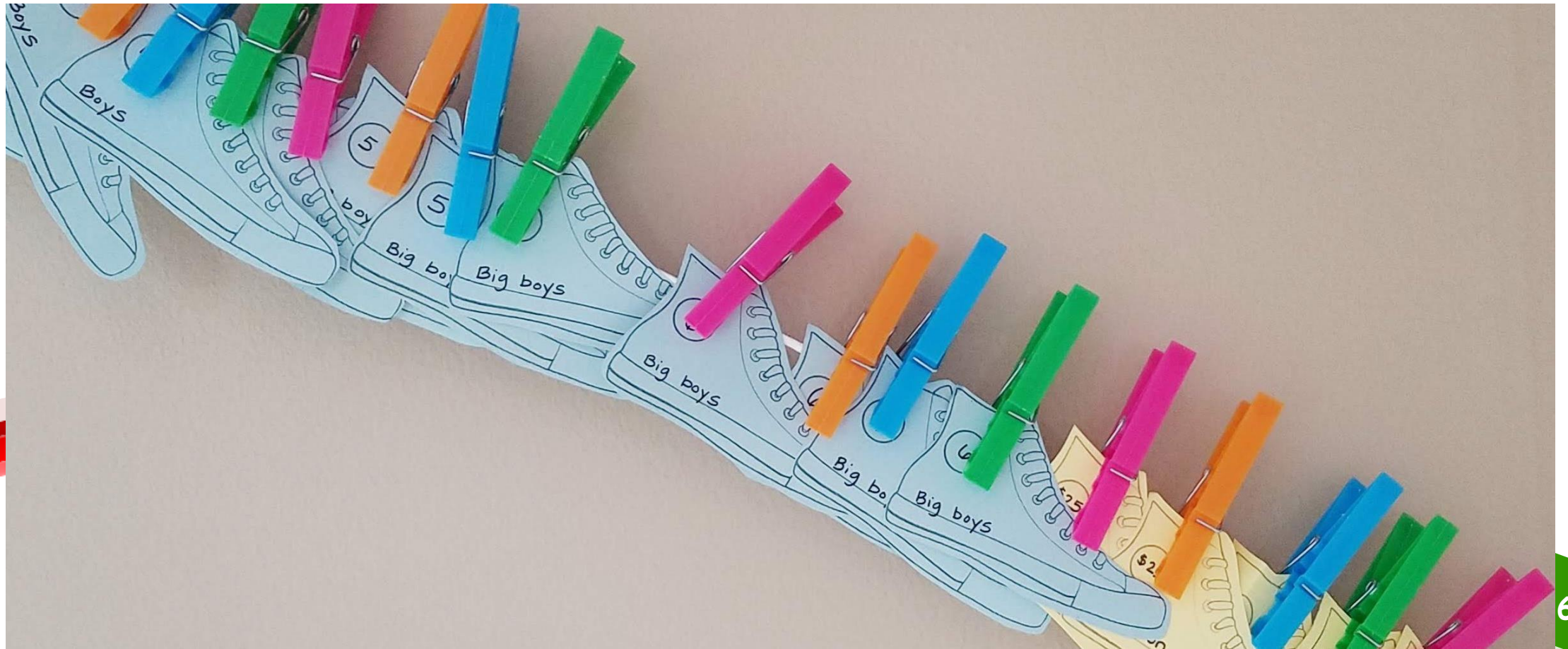


PICK A SHOE!



ADD A FOOTER

ANY SHOE

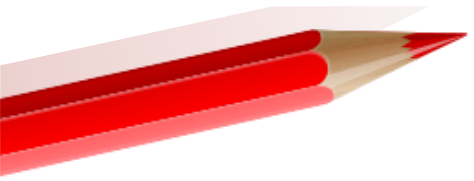


NEW KICKS



AND THE SHOPPING STARTED!

A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL





GETTING THE
COMMUNITY
INVOLVED

COMMUNITY AWARENESS



IDEAS TO RAISE OC
AWARENESS

FUND RAISERS

Chapters Raising Funds And
Creating Awareness For
Operation Classroom

CREATING COMMUNITY
AWARENESS



COMMUNITY

Getting Everyone
Involved



KOULOOURIA



THE ANSWER TO EVERYTHING

TRIVIA NIGHT



**HOLY TRINITY
CARMEL, INDIANA**

**LET'S HAVE
A PICNIC!**

**Picnicking In The
Comfort Of Air
Conditioning And No
Bugs!**

The Best!



**ST. SOPHIA CATHEDRAL
LOS ANGELES**

SUPPORTING OPERATION CLASSROOM

Picnic Lunch For All!

Entrance Fee:
Bring School Supplies
Or Monetary Donation



COMMUNITY AWARENESS



PRINCIPAL SPEAKING TO THE COMMUNITY

GETTING INFORMED

Informing Community About The Needs Of Students

- Ask And Answer Question Time....
- How Can We Make A Difference?

PRINCIPAL REYES

THE RESULTS...

Great Job
Philoptochos!

Helping Others
Puts A Smile
On Your Face!



JUST IMAGINE THE SMILE ON
KIDS WHEN THEY GET THESE
NEW BACKPACKS



OC PROJECTS

PROVIDE
VIRTUAL
RESOURCES

FOOD
PANTRY

ART
SUPPLIES

BOOKS FOR
STUDENTS

BEACH BAG
PROGRAM

HEADPHONES
FOR LAPTOPS

PE
EQUIPMENT

LAMINATED
DESK MAPS



HOLIDAY
TREATS

HAT SCARF
GLOVES
DRIVE

TUTORING

OPTIONS: LIMITLESS

MORE OC PROJECTS

AS YOU CAN SEE SO MANY
OPTIONS IN HELPING
STUDENTS

INCENTIVES
FOR READING
PROGRAMS

PLAYGROUND
TOYS

ONLINE
PROGRAMS

FLEXIBLE
SEATING

GRANTS

CAMP
SCHOLARSHIPS

GROCERY GIFT
CARDS

HOT MEALS
AND WEEKEND
MEALS

INCREDIBLE!



GRATITUDE

PHILOPTOCHOS
IS
APPRECIATED



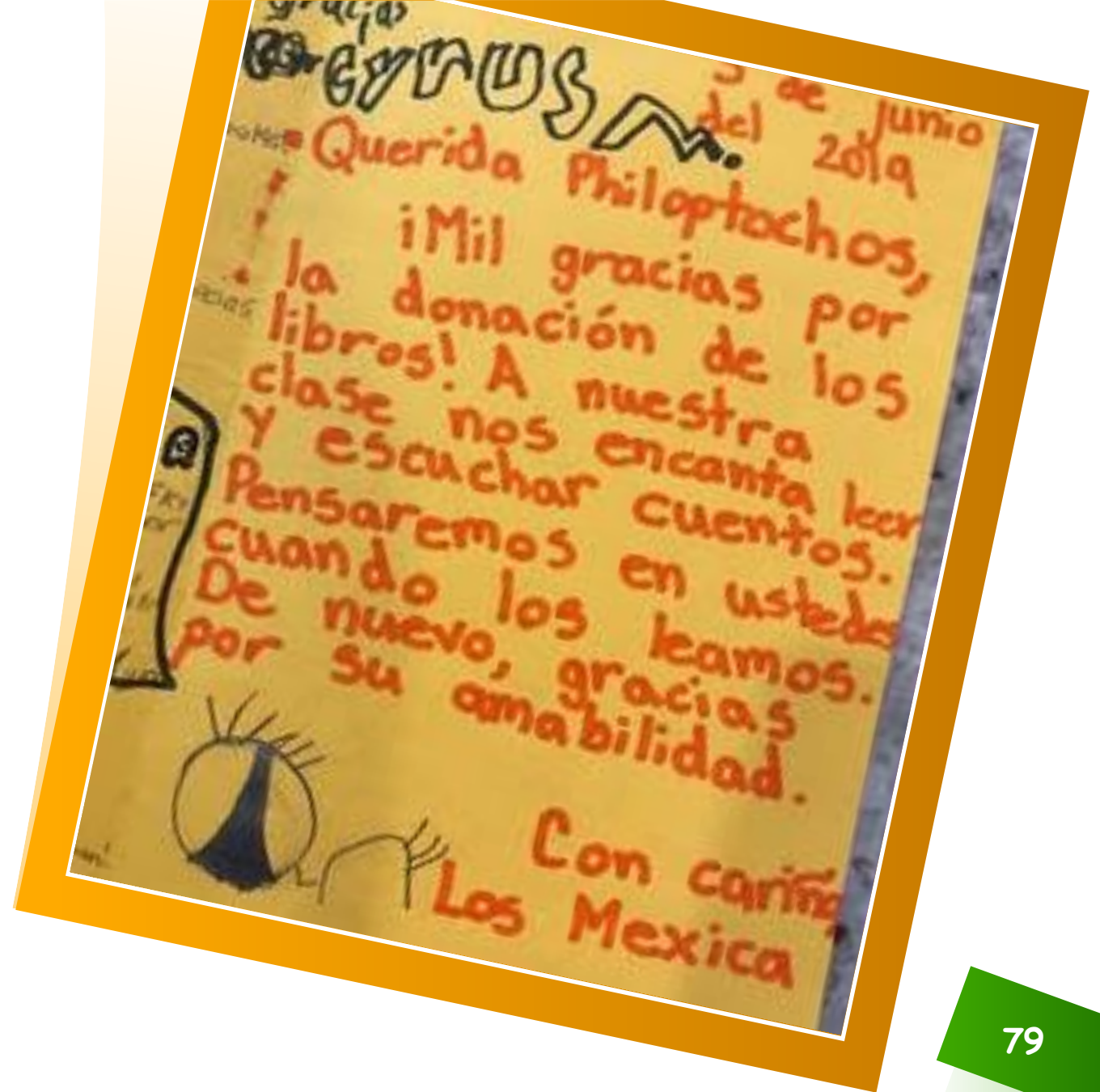
HEART WARMING

APPRECIATION

THANK YOU FOR THE
BOOKS

Philoptochos
Making A
Difference In
Children's Lives

ENDEARING!



THANK YOU!

Demetrius Strange
J.R.
RUMS Math
Cindy
Kiyewels
Desiree De Aia
- Thank you!
- c. in the margin
Brook Massey
Emma Wright
Luke D.
Eric B
Carlos Mendez
Shanie
Ameera
Susan W. English
RUMS English teacher
Chris Abair
RUMS
SANA HAO
RUMS thanks you!
Jasmine
Robin
Xiao
RUMS school

Friends at St. Constantine and Helen Philoptochus,

Thank you so much for supporting Redford Union High School teachers with your generous donation of classroom supplies.

Your support of teachers allows us, the students, to have productive classes that will help us both academically and socially; it creates a healthy learning environment. This will help us achieve our goals + create new dreams for a bright future.
Yours generous

THANK YOU!

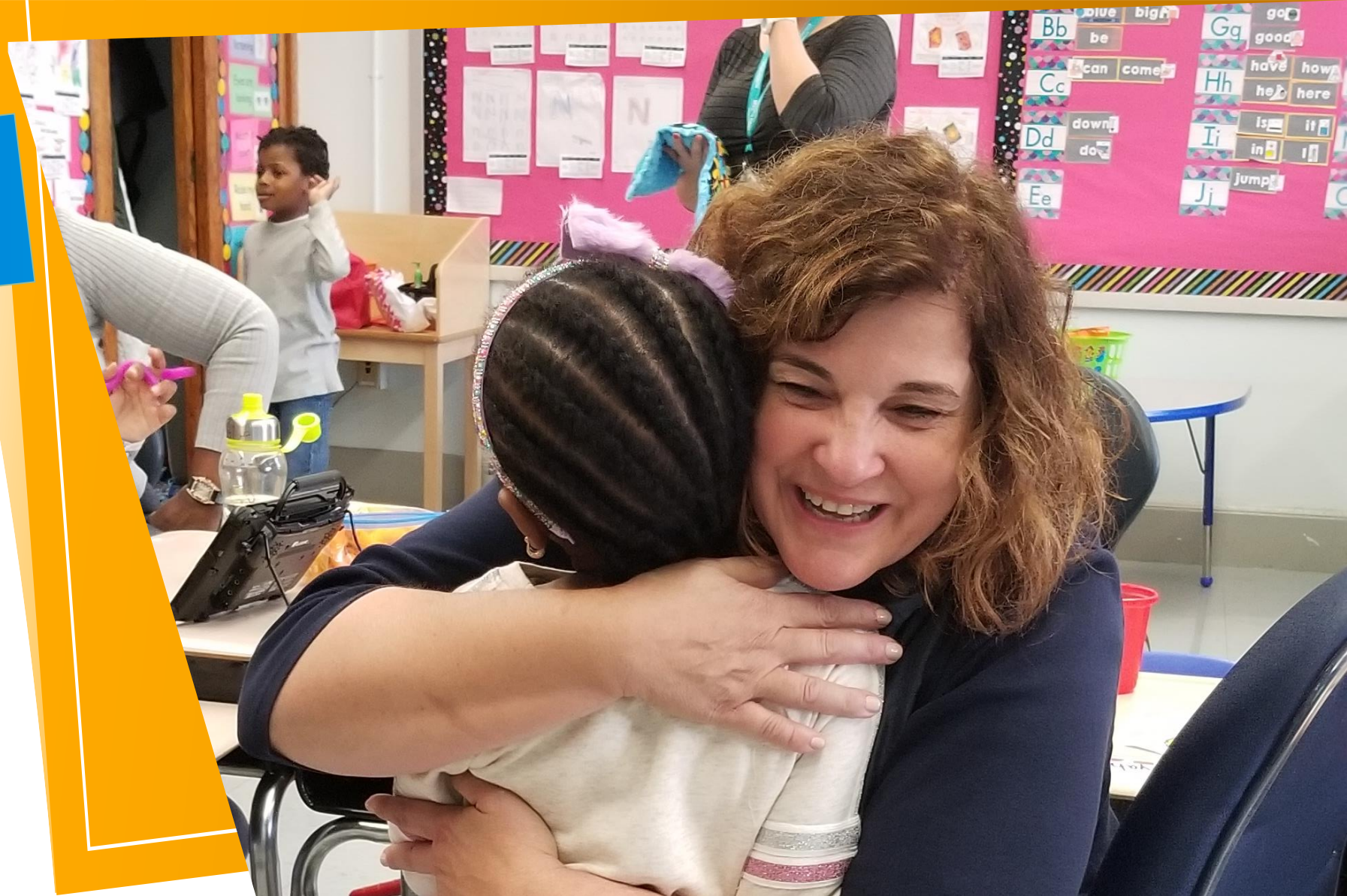
THANK YOU FOR
LETTING US MAKE A
DIFFERENCE!



PHILOPOTOCHOS
ENGAGING HANDS ON

APPRECIATION

**EVERYONE NEEDS A
HUG!**



PRICELESS!

2020-2021



CONTINUE OUTREACH

- What Will The Upcoming School Year Look Like?
- More Online Resources Will Be Needed
- No More Sharing Of Supplies
- Be Flexible And Continue To Reach Out To Teachers And Schools

GET STARTED!

THE NEED WILL BE GREAT!





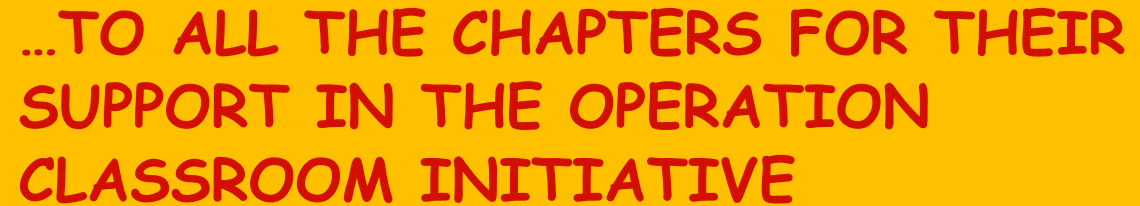
THANK YOU!

*Continue Your Good Work For
2020-2021*

We Are All In This Together!

Thank You To The OC Committee

**WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE
ONE STEP AT A TIME**



**...TO ALL THE CHAPTERS FOR THEIR
SUPPORT IN THE OPERATION
CLASSROOM INITIATIVE**

**...FOR GETTING OUR YOUTH AND OTHER
MEMBERS OF YOUR PARISH INVOLVED
IN THIS WORTHY INITIATIVE**

**...FOR DEVELOPING AN AWARENESS OF
PHILOPTOCHOS' GOOD WORKS IN YOUR
PARISHES AND YOUR COMMUNITIES**

IT'S A WRAP



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"This Has Been A Very Fulfilling Project For Our Philoptochos Knowing That We Are Addressing A Local Need And Making A Difference In Teachers' And Students School Days"

Saints Anargyroi Ladies
Philoptochos Hamilton New Jersey

YOU HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE