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Ritter Center Helps 200 Marin Kids Head Back to School with Confidence at Annual Backpack Giveaway

[San Rafael, CA] – Ritter Center's annual **Back to School Giveaway** was a resounding success, providing **200 children across Marin County** with brand-new backpacks, school supplies, and gift cards to help them start the school year with confidence. The event, held on **August 7th** at Ritter Center in downtown San Rafael, was filled with joy, laughter, and hope as families selected colorful backpacks stocked with notebooks, pens, water bottles, lunch boxes, and more. Each child also received a **\$100 gift card for clothes, shoes, or any other essential supplies they might need to** ease the financial burden many families face during this time of year.

With the Bay Area's high cost of living continuing to strain low-income households, many families must make impossible choices between rent, food, and other essentials. School supplies are often out of reach, making this type of support more important than ever. **Ritter Center raised \$30,00 to make the event possible**, ensuring children have what they need to thrive in the classroom.

The success of this event was made possible through the generous support of our community partners. We are especially grateful to **Nugget Markets, Marin Community Foundation, Pasha Group, and Book Exchange of Marin** for their commitment to helping local families thrive.

Ritter Center extends its heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped bring this event to life. Together, we are building a stronger, more supportive community where all children have the opportunity to learn and grow.

About Ritter Center:

Ritter Center is a Federally Qualified Health Center providing comprehensive health, housing, and support services to improve the health and well-being of individuals experiencing homelessness or economic insecurity in Marin County.

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