



PREMIER IN THE COMMUNITY

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THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who donated last month to The Pantry of Broward. They were extremely appreciative. Premier dropped off near record setting contributions thanks to your generous donations. Each month, The Pantry of Broward provides 425 clients with a 55-pound box of nutritional food, which includes fresh fruit, vegetables, and breads. By their estimates, they believe the food helps 1,000 individuals every month.



GUMBO LIMBO HATCHLING RELEASE

Gumbo Limbo has an exciting and unique program regarding sea turtles. This event begins in the classroom, and afterwards takes you on a trip to the beach to watch released baby sea turtles make their way to the ocean.

This event occurs on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings from July 15th – August 8th from 8:00pm-9:30pm.

Additionally, the next program begins on August 12th – September 5th from 7:30pm – 9:30pm.

Please register early, so you can see this magnificent event.

Please visit: <https://www.gumbolimbo.org/Walk-Release> for more information.



BACK-TO-SCHOOL BACKPACKS

The Backpack Index, an annual survey of the cost of school supplies and other expenses, was just shy of \$1,500 for high school students last year. It was \$1,001 for middle school students and \$662 for elementary school students. The cost of raising a child has decreased slightly, however their school supplies have not. They have gotten steadily more expensive since 2007. Just within the last decade, the price of supplies and extracurricular activities increased on average by 79% according to the latest Huntington Backpack Index, an annual survey of the cost of school supplies and other expenses compiled by The Huntington National Bank and school support nonprofit Communities in Schools. Every school year, teachers send out a list of school supplies and fees that will cover the student for the year. Between 2007 and 2017, prices for school supplies rose by an estimated \$10, according to the index.

A call for volunteers to assist with backpacks will be sent out later this month, when we have set a date and a time.



ABOUT PREMIER EYE CARE

Premier's People, Planet, Profit triple bottom line means we are dedicated to helping the community. Contributions to 501(c)(3) charities since 2012 have topped \$600,000 and include diverse groups like the American Heart Assoc., the Drug Abuse Treatment Assoc., the Girl Scouts, Kenya Rescue, Tampa Crisis Center, Preserve Vision Florida, and more. Stay tuned for company-wide opportunities.



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