

Local Company Joins the Effort to Help CROSS Serve Students

Rogers, MN, October 14, 2016 – CROSS Student Supplies

Local churches, businesses and organizations annually donate to a program at CROSS Services to help make the beginning of the school year easier for many students. Over 800 students benefitted this fall from their generosity and the coordination of CROSS and its volunteers and staff.

The program got a big boost this fall when employees from another local company, GTN, volunteered to sort and organize the donated supplies. Global Tax Network (GTN) is a mobility tax services firm in Maple Grove. This year they raised funds to purchase backpacks, school supplies, and hygiene kits for more than 100 students in our community.

"It was an outstanding experience to partner with CROSS during the GTN annual conference this year." said Craig Dexheimer, Senior Director of Operations for GTN. "We admire and appreciate all that CROSS has accomplished and we were happy to be a part of that this year. It provided our firm the opportunity to make a difference and give back to the community in a meaningful way."

Sixty-seven GTN employees volunteered for this backpack project sorting and stuffing backpacks with the hygiene and school supplies provided by GTN.

GTN, a mobility tax firm, focuses exclusively on tax consulting and compliance for corporate global mobility programs, expatriates, foreign nationals, short-term international assignments (i.e., business trips) and permanent transfers. For more information on the business, please visit gtn.com.

These school supplies are available through CROSS throughout the year to replace or replenish needed items for students.

Although CROSS's main focus is helping families and individuals address hunger and housing concerns, CROSS also distributes birthday gifts, clothing, and holiday toys to help low-income and/or financially struggling families during times of the year that traditionally have additional expenses, such as preparing their children for school and celebrating holidays. There is also a weekend food program for students and now an expanded toy shop.

"We are grateful to GTN employees and the many others in our community who make these services available to children and people in need of them," said Elizabeth Johnson, CEO/Executive Director of CROSS in Rogers.

CROSS serves the communities of Champlin, Corcoran, Dayton, Maple Grove, Osseo and Rogers. CROSS services include the food shelf, clothing store, Meals on Wheels, school packs for kids, and many more.

To find out about volunteer opportunities and other ways to assist CROSS in its mission such as contributing or donating to CROSS, visit the website at www.CROSSservices.org, contact CROSS at 12915 Weinand Circle, Rogers, MN 55374, or call 763-425-1050.

