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AOBA Helps DC Students Focus on Learning



September 11, 2008 - As the school year got into full swing, students in Washington, DC's Wards 2 and 6 were able to focus on learning, equipped with new backpacks and calculators purchased by AOBA members.

In Ward 2, AOBA received a request through Councilmember Jack Evans (D-Ward 2) to assist 20 students in need of backpacks during the first week of school. AOBA immediately responded to the request and presented 20 backpacks to ANC Commissioner Barbara Curtis on Aug. 28. Commissioner Curtis received the backpacks on behalf of 20 young residents of the Gibson Plaza Apartments located in the Shaw area of Ward 2.

Across the city, in Ward 6, AOBA members contributed over \$6000 to purchase 60 graphic calculators for seventh graders at Eliot/Hine Middle School. AOBA delivered the calculators to the school's principal at a special presentation on Sept. 10 with Councilmember Tommy Wells (D-Ward 6).

"Working together, AOBA has been able to help students obtain the appropriate tools to learn and succeed during the school year," said Mary Lynch, AOBA President. "We were honored to partner with selected DC Public Schools once again this year and I would like to thank all AOBA members who made generous contributions!"