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Phoenix Painters hold back-to-school drive for 600 students

WHAT: International Union of Painters and Allied Trades (IUPAT) and Local Union 86 Phoenix Painters back-to-school drive for Ed & Verma Pastor Elementary

WHEN: Opportunity for photo/video 10:30 a.m. – 11 a.m., Wednesday, Aug. 5

PLEASE CALL TO ARRANGE TIME

WHERE: Ed and Verma Pastor Elementary School, 2101 W. Alta Vista Road, Phoenix

WHY: The IUPAT is conducting a back-to-school drive to enable students to start the year with confidence and being prepared to learn. IUPAT believes investing in education and workforce readiness is crucial to helping students, families and entire communities prosper.

More than 600 students will benefit from this back-to-school drive. Elected leaders such as Steve Gallardo will assist in delivering goods to the school.

“Both our apprentices and journeyman pitched in to organize and deliver more than 1200 notebooks, 600 backpacks and various other supplies. We want to make sure we are giving back to the community, and this is a great way to help youth get the supplies they need to succeed,” says Business Representative Masavi Perea.

The project evolved from the Painters and Allied Trades Children’s Hope Foundation (PATCH) and leadership who recruited funds to make this generous contribution to the school.

The International Union of Painters and Allied Trades represents men and women in the United States and Canada who work in the Finishing Trades - as industrial and commercial painters, drywall finishers and many other positions. The IUPAT is recognized as one of the most active unions in the labor movement and in helping shape communities through commitment to service.

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