



# BACKPACKS FOR BERD

FINANCIAL REPORT

*total spent*

**\$4,194.74**

*total raised*

**\$5,025.77**

*balance*

**\$831.03**

**WHAT**

**QTY**

**TOTAL IN USD**

Schoolbags	333	\$2,434.36
School supplies	333	\$1,641.19
Delivery to students	1	\$119.19

*Total cost*

**\$4,194.74**



We at Ayo! are happy to share some of the most wonderful news of the year! Over three hundred first-graders from 20 schools in Berd, Tavush region, started their school year with a surprise: new, quality backpacks full of amazing school supplies that they will use for the entire year - and beyond. We embarked on our journey in early summer to raise funds to get the most necessary items for their first year of school. We're so thrilled knowing that together, we supplied each first grader in Berd with the essential school supplies to enjoy a successful year.

We are so thankful to all the amazing people, partners and organizations, who joined us on this journey to support the children of Berd.

We would like to send a special gratitude note to:

- **DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel**, for providing school supplies and backpacks, as well as making individual donation of tables for the computer lab to the school of **Norashen**.
- **Marriott Hotel**, for placing a donation box on their premises and supporting the project and the school of **Varagavan**.
- **Staff of Central Bank**, and the wonderful staff members who excitedly joined the project and supported the school of **Paravaqar**.
- **Staff of VMware**, who wholeheartedly joined us and with their support provided schoolbags and supplies to schools in **Verin Karmiraghbyur, Nerkin Karmiraghbyur** and **Chinari**.
- **Staff of EY (Ernst & Young)**, for providing beautiful school supplies to the first graders of Artsvaberd.
- **Akhtamar Dance Ensemble** in New Jersey, for their generous support and providing school bags and supplies to children in schools in **Aygedzor, Choratan** and **Navur villages**.
- **Bureaucrat Café and Bookstore, Green Bean Cascade and Amiryan** branches as well as **Ingredient café**. Thanks to the partnership with these cafes we were able to raise funds to provide backpacks and school supplies to the **#1 school in Berd**.

Special thanks to **Rebirth Armenia Foundation** for their on-the-ground fundraising in the church in Chicago, which helped us raise up to \$1,000 and helped us get the gifts to kids in 2 schools, #3 school and #4 school in Berd, as well is the school in Movses village.

Our thanks also goes to **Shoghakat TV** channel, who is always next to us, covering our causes and providing materials and sharing the work we do with our compatriots over news.

Thanks to all our donors, once again, for supporting us, and helping us reach our goal. With our many global donations, we could reach out to the other schools in **Verin Tsakhkavan, Chinchin, Tavush, Artsvaberd second school, Itsakar and Aygepar villages**. Thanks to tremendous support of an Ayo!'s Protective Walls project two years ago, Berd's school in **Aygepar**, which now holds a protective wall around the school, is thrilled to accept 7 first-graders this fall - now with heavy backpacks!

And of course all our gratitude to our wonderful parent organization, the **Fund for Armenian Relief**, for their constant support and endorsement. As an additional gift, FAR provided toothbrushes to each and every first-grader attending first grade this fall!