



Hi Everyone,

Just got a pile more shots of the backpack assembly day from our Dave Rust, so I had to do another round of pics to tell you more of the story.

We also need to spend a few lines here to thank, from the bottom of our hearts, everyone at [JAKKS Pacific](#) who donated a full 20% or so of the total supplies we collected this year. For the last few years, we've had an ongoing relationship with JAKKS, one of the largest toy designers and distributors in the U.S., mostly for the donation of toys at Christmas. But this year Stephanie Russo at JAKKS' corporate office, actually contacted me to see if we needed school supplies this year...umm, let me think about that for a moment... It was an answer to prayer for us.



One of our vans loaded to the gills with supplies from JAKKS Pacific and other donors.

Thanks again to Stephanie and JAKKS for their concern and care for our kids and to everyone else who helped us this year. As we mentioned before, we're not finished yet. **We're in the midst of collecting more supplies and assembly another 100 packs** to get our total higher in order to get more packs to kids at Jefferson Elementary School in Santa Ana, CA, children of deployed Marines at Camp Pendleton, and children of migrant workers in central Baja. **If you can help, let us know here or by calling 949-293-4259.**

More pics...



Here's Dave Rust unloading--how did he and the JAKKS dock workers get all that in?



Norm Kremiller unloading as well.



Now the set up process begins...



A few portraits of our volunteers...Frank Palmer...



...Kathleen Hunter...



...Frank Billman...



...Karen Smith...



...Marian and Brennan Brisbin...



...Melody and Sharon Harris...



The assembly line in full swing..





Bagging the packs.



Lots of bags of packs...



A prayer before pizza...



Sharon and Karen finally getting some food...



Storing the packs in our storage facility until transport to the border.



Thanks Leo Lipert for slinging packs at the warehouse.

We'll be distributing packs to the children between now and early October. More of that story soon.

Blessings always,

Dave

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