

CITY OF PALMDALE

MEDIA ALERT

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Photo\Interview Opportunity

WHAT: South Antelope Valley Emergency Services (SAVES) distribution of backpacks filled with school supplies to high school students.

WHEN: **Friday, August 8, 9 to 12:40 pm. (Best photo op – 9 to 11 am)**

WHERE: SAVES, 1002 East Ave Q-12, Palmdale, in Palmdale.

WHO: SAVES Coordinator Patricia Morales; students and their families; SAVES Staff and volunteers.

BACKGROUND: Each year, SAVES distributes hundreds of backpacks filled with school supplies to South Antelope Valley students who are in need of these materials for their studies. With help from the generous donations of materials or finances from residents, hundreds of South Valley students are provided with backpacks filled with pencil boxes, calculators, erasable pens, dictionaries, three ring binders, notebook paper, erasers, staplers, graph paper, and flash drives.

In 2010, SAVES distributed 150 backpacks. This year, over 600 backpacks will be given out.

SAVES provides a practical and caring approach to serving people in need. The SAVES program was started in 1983 to offer assistance to individuals and families who are experiencing a temporary emergency situation.

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