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## \*\*\*\*MEDIA ADVISORY\*\*\*\*

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# LOCAL NON-PROFIT ROLLS OUT BACK-TO-SCHOOL BACKPACK PROGRAM FOR EMPLOYEES IN NEED

**OLD BETHPAGE, NY** – Tomorrow, August 17<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 a.m., Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc.(FREE) volunteers will be putting together 500 backpacks filled with school supplies for children of their employees. The program, called **Treasure Town**, allows employees of FREE to help other employees who are in need of assistance. Through generous donations from their peers, recipients of the backpacks can provide their children with much needed school supplies without having to place further financial burden on their families. Media is invited to attend and show the world that FREE takes care of its own.

#### When:

TOMORROW
Thursday
August 17, 2017
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

#### Where:

Family Residences and Essential Enterprises Conference Room 191 Bethpage-Sweet Hollow Road Bethpage, NY

\*\*\*Great visuals as dozens of volunteers will be assembling 500 backpacks to help others in need\*\*\*

## Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE)

Family Residences and Essential Enterprises, Inc. (FREE), founded in 1977, benefits and proudly supports more than 4,000 individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities, mental illness and traumatic brain injury. It is the mission of FREE to assist individuals of all abilities realize their full potential. FREE provides a diverse array of supports and services including: housing; recovery services; transition to work; employment; day, community and family services; respite; crisis services; education and after school support; specialty health services; and advocacy.

FREE also collaborates with a variety of diverse 501(c)(3) nonprofit partners on educational, vocational, rehabilitative and a myriad of other creative initiatives to enhance the local communities and the lives of more than 25,000 people that reside within them. Each of the valued partners of the FREE Network has a unique mission, vision and strategic goals that are aligned in purpose, and embody the spirit of the meaningful work we do every day. For more information, please call 516-870-7000 or visit <a href="www.familyres.org">www.familyres.org</a>.