



WESTMORELAND INTERMEDIATE UNIT
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Dear Friends of the WIU:

The [Westmoreland Intermediate Unit](#), an educational agency serving Westmoreland County children, is hosting the [Pennsylvania Association of Intermediate Units](#) (PAIU) statewide conference in May. The theme of the conference is centered on Mr. Fred Rogers and his emphasis on kindness. As a team building activity, conference attendees will assemble backpacks containing hygiene, personal, and comfort items. The goal is to distribute 1,000 backpacks to homeless children within Westmoreland County and across the Commonwealth.

We are asking for your help in filling these backpacks for Pennsylvania’s homeless children.

There are two ways to support this effort:

- Making a monetary donation
- Donating any of the following items:
 - small journal/notebooks
 - pens
 - deodorant products
 - bars of soap
 - toothbrushes
 - tubes of toothpaste
 - travel size shampoo/conditioner
 - travel size tissues
 - travel size wipes
 - knit gloves
 - knit hats
 - socks

If you wish to make a monetary donation, please make your check payable to the **Westmoreland Intermediate Unit Foundation*** and mail to:

Westmoreland Intermediate Unit
 Attn: Christie Ridenour
 102 Equity Drive
 Greensburg, PA 15601

If you wish to donate items, please contact Christie Ridenour at 724-836-2460 x2299 to make either delivery or pick up arrangements.

Deadline for all donations: March 1, 2020

Don’t miss this opportunity to spread kindness and give comfort to a homeless child. As Fred Rogers so eloquently stated, “All of us, at some time or other, need help. Whether we’re giving or receiving help, each one of us has something valuable to bring to this world. That’s one of the things that connects us as neighbors-in our own way, each one of us is a giver and a receiver.”

Yours in education,

Dr. Jason A. Conway
 Executive Director

**The Westmoreland Intermediate Unit Foundation, Inc. (WIUF) is a 501(c)(3) organization that seeks to enrich the educational experience for K-12 students, in particular those with special needs, in schools throughout Westmoreland County.*

Join us in helping homeless children



"Anyone who does anything to help a child in his life is a hero."

-Fred Rogers



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