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## MEDIA ALERT

### Tampa Housing Authority Holds 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Back to School Giveaway

**WHAT:** Tampa Housing Authority (THA) is hosting its annual Back to School Bash. The event, held in partnership with the United States Navy, supports families throughout THA properties. The opening ceremony includes guest speaker, Hillsborough County Public Schools Superintendent Jeff Eakins. There will be a variety of activities for kids and parents that will include free haircuts, musical entertainment, giveaways, as well as other interactive fun. Vendors will also be on site to offer resources for health and wellness, education, employment, and homeownership.

In addition, school-aged children will receive a supply-filled backpack for the upcoming school year. More than 200 backpacks are expected to be handed out during the event to ensure students have a successful start to their academic year. All activities and supplies are provided at no cost to attendees.

**WHY:** This annual event aims to provide relief to families who may find it difficult to purchase back to school materials. THA is committed to supporting these families while also providing tools necessary for school success.

**WHERE:** Oaks at Riverview Community Center, 110 E. Kirby Street, Tampa, FL 33604

**WHEN:** Friday, July 20<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m., with the opening ceremony from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m.

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### About Tampa Housing Authority

*The Housing Authority of the City of Tampa promotes the development and professional management of a variety of affordable housing opportunities, facilities and supportive services that nurture neighborhoods, provide economic development and self-sufficiency activities for residents while assuring equal access to safe, quality housing for low and moderate-income families throughout the community.*

*"Building a World-Class Community, One Family and One Neighborhood at a Time"*