



**Nassau County Police Department (NCPD) Foundation and Nassau County PBA
Distribute 1,000 Backpacks with School Supplies to Needy Children
in Westbury**



(Garden City, New York) August 31, 2015 – The Nassau County Police Department (NCPD) Foundation along with the Police Benevolent Association (PBA) distributed 1,000 backpacks on Saturday at Martin “Bunky” Reid Park, in Westbury to needy children returning to school this September.

The 1,000 backpacks purchased by the NCPD Foundation and PBA were filled with supplies for school, including notebooks, pens, pencils, papers and other items for the classroom. Thousands of children will be returning to school in a few weeks and a number of them lack the basic supplies needed for their education. The backpack giveaway will help fulfill some of the need. “We are proud to partner with the Nassau County PBA for this important initiative that will give some Nassau County students a great head start to the school year. Not only does this program help improve the lives of Nassau County’s youngest residents, but it builds vital relationships between the Nassau County Police Department and the community,” said Eric Blumencranz, Chairman of the NCPD Foundation.

Besides officers from the Nassau County Police Department, many volunteers were there to hand out the backpacks. Children were able to enjoy music, hotdogs and hamburgers, watch the Nassau County Police Department helicopter land and meet some of the mounted unit horses.