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Win and New York City Councilmember Francisco Moya Partner to Donate Backpacks, School Supplies, and a \$5,000 Grant to Children Experiencing Homelessness

Councilmember Moya presented a check for \$5,000 in funding for LaGuardia Family Residence while visiting more than 50 children alongside Win President & CEO Christine Quinn

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NEW YORK, NY— Win, the nation's largest provider of family shelter and supportive housing, partnered with New York City Councilmember Francisco Moya to donate backpacks and school supplies to children at LaGuardia Family Residence, a Win shelter. Win President & CEO Christine Quinn and Councilmember Moya visited and spoke with more than 50 children during the giveaway, after which Councilmember Moya presented a check for \$5,000 in funding for LaGuardia Family Residence.

"Every day, children living in shelter have to navigate challenging obstacles and instability that many of us can't even imagine. As back-to-school season is in full swing, the least we can do is make sure they have the proper supplies they need to succeed," said **Christine Quinn, President & CEO of Win**.

"Councilmember Moya's generous donation of backpacks, school supplies, and a \$5,000 grant will lead to improved academic opportunity and well-being that all children need for success in school and in life. Thanks to Councilmember Moya, every dollar donated is a step toward a brighter future for our children experiencing homelessness. Together, we can provide not just shelter, funding, and supplies, but hope, opportunity, and the chance for a better tomorrow."

Councilmember Moya's donation is set against a backdrop of [a 39% increase in the homeless student population, which equals roughly 29,000 children in shelter each month in 2023](#). For these students, the high school drop-out rate is more than three times higher than that of their permanently housed peers, while the on-time graduation rate for those in shelter stands at just 64%.

"It's always been a priority for me to make sure that every child in our community, no matter their circumstances, has the tools they need to succeed in school. I am incredibly proud to support these children at LaGuardia Family Center, and I hope this gesture helps them feel ready and excited for the new school year," said **New York City Councilmember Francisco Moya**. "Providing funding to the shelter is part of my ongoing effort to uplift families and create opportunities for our most vulnerable residents."

Councilmember Moya's partnership with Win represents a commitment to uplifting New York City's homeless population and ensuring equal opportunities for all. Donating school supplies and funding complements Win's holistic approach to combating homelessness, recognizing that access to educational tools and basic necessities is crucial for underserved children. By providing access to things children need to thrive in school, our goal is to not only set them up for academic success but improve their quality of life. This ultimately paves the way for a brighter future, empowering children to reach their full potential.

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Win is the largest provider of family shelter and supportive housing in the nation, operating 14 family shelters and 9 supportive housing facilities across New York City, as well as more than 100 supportive housing units in the Bronx and Brooklyn. In the past year, Win served nearly 9,200 homeless people – including more than 5,000 children – helping them to break the cycle of homelessness. Housing instability can stymie a child's healthy socio-emotional and cognitive development, with implications for mental health, behavioral health, and success in life. Through Camp Win, an immersive summer-long program, and other programming, Win works to provide a safe, engaging environment for children in shelter.