

*The mission of Back 2 School Illinois is to create and support educational opportunities that enrich the lives of Illinois children.*



## June 2020 NEWSLETTER

For every \$18 dollar donation, we can put one of our signature school supply kits into the hands of a child from a low-income family.

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**Win School Supplies for your entire school**  
**Enter Now - Two Schools to Win**



Want to help win Back 2 School kits for a school? Then enter our "Win

School Supplies for an Entire School" contest. Anyone can nominate a school including students, teachers, parents, community leaders, and concerned citizens. Two deserving Chicago schools will win Back 2 School kits for every student, which they will receive during the first week of classes this fall.

Don't forget but applications must be postmarked by August 1.

[Win School Supplies Contest Application](#)

## We Appreciate Teacher Contest 2020

### Ten Special Teachers to Win

We love the work of teachers and we want to reward them for their hard work during these challenging times by offering them a chance to win a Back 2 School Illinois gift package, which includes school supplies for their students' and something very special for the teachers themselves.

Starting July 1st you can nominate a teacher (or the teacher can nominate themselves) through our website. Ten teachers will be drawn from all the entries and become winners. Help us spoil that special teacher and give them Back 2 School kits for their classroom and something just for them.

Prizes provided by [Lynfred Wineries](#), [Buckaroo Pepper Jam](#), [Cabot Creamy Cooperative](#) and others.

## Currency Exchange Summer Canning Program Underway

**Give Your Change, and Change A Kids Future**

Our annual partnership with [Community Currency Exchange Association of Illinois](#) (CCEA) to raise funds for our Back 2 School program launched June 1st. All summer long when people stop into any of the 300+ CCEA they can leave their spare change in one of our collection canisters. Last year over \$70,000 was raised in the stores. In 2020 The [Western Union Foundation](#) will once again offer a 50% match, up to \$100,000! So, whether you need a license plate renewal sticker, money order, copy of a birth certificate or just want to make a donation, stop into any location and give your spare change to any teller.



## Switch to AmazonSmile Make Us Your Designated Charity

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## Notes of Inspiration - Home Edition Keep Up the Inspiration

In the past few weeks more than 100 people have joined us. That's right,

while we are all quarantined at home, many of you have asked for us to send to you our "Notes of Inspiration" - Home Edition.

What are "Notes of Inspiration"? They are notes of encouragement we put into our Back 2 School kits to boost the students self-esteem. We make it easy and you can do them from the safety of your own home.

Just sign up below and we will drop them in the mail to you this right away.

**Get Involved - Get your "Notes of Inspiration" TODAY!**



## **Introducing the Newest Member of our Board of Directors**

**Welcome Glenn Browne**



Glenn Browne is a shareholder in the law firm known as Braun, Browne & Associates, P.C., which focuses on transactional law, including real estate, corporate, leasing and operational matters. Previously, he worked Alzheimer & Gray in their real estate

department before becoming associated with Braun, Browne & Associates, P.C. in 1990 (then known as Braun and Schechter).

During his legal career, Glenn has been involved in various business organizations, including the publication Commercial Leasing Law & Strategy and the International Council of Shopping Centers, where he writes editorial columns on behalf of those publications.

Glenn participates in a myriad of charitable, civic and philanthropic endeavors, including youth sports for his children, Tulips for Lauri (a grief support organization for sudden death), college fundraising efforts and other cultural related events. He has a strong interest in supporting organizations that assist children and education. Glenn believes that B2SI is a perfect forum to utilize his talents and efforts to bring an underserved market the tools necessary to succeed in a challenging educational environment.

In 1986, Glenn married his college sweetheart, Maribeth, and he now has four children, two boys and two girls, that have all graduated from college and all participate in charitable efforts in their own lives. Glenn also has two grandchildren with one more on the way, which he can't wait to meet.

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