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### **LIFE WEST EXTENDS HELP TO NON-PROFIT SEEKING BACKPACKS FOR KIDS**

**HAYWARD, Calif. August 24, 2009** – As many families struggle to provide basic school supplies for their children this fall, Life Chiropractic College West is pleased to announce its donation of 104 backpacks to the Family Emergency Shelter Coalition, also known as FESCO. FESCO is a non-profit organization located in Hayward which provides emergency shelter, comprehensive supportive services, and transitional housing for homeless families with children.

Life West began collecting backpacks from its faculty, staff and students in mid-July. Many patients attending the college's public health center were also generous contributors to the drive. Life West's Director of Student Services Jackie Biron said, "We, at Life West, are grateful for all of the support from both employees and patients. We all need to pull together during these tough times and help when possible." The backpacks were delivered to FESCO on August 22, 2009.

Life West, established in 1976, is an accredited non-profit institution of higher learning. Currently over 400 students from across the United States and abroad are enrolled, and over 3,700 graduates of Life West are now providing chiropractic care worldwide. The college's Health Center, a public outpatient facility, staffed by approximately 150 senior interns who are guided by licensed doctors of chiropractic, provides affordable health care to more than 1,500 patients per week in the city of Hayward, California. The college and Health Center maintain a Web site at [www.lifewest.edu](http://www.lifewest.edu).

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