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### **Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children of Monmouth County**

#### **Olive Garden of Eatontown Helps Kids Have a Great Start Going Back to School**

Eatontown, NJ—The Olive Garden, located at 230 Route 35 in Eatontown, showed their support for the work of *CASA* (Court Appointed Special Advocates) for Children of Monmouth County by holding a fund drive among employees and friends and families this past month. Together they collected over \$800 to purchase much needed school supplies for the children in out of home placement which *CASA* serves. Olive Garden’s manager, Karen Tamburello, coordinated and oversaw the drive and all of the restaurant’s managers and staff really stepped up by donating funds and shopping for the drive.

All of the backpacks and school supplies collected were delivered to *CASA*’s location at 613 Hope Road in Eatontown. Over the next week they will be distributed to *CASA* volunteers who will make sure they get into the hands of the children we serve. The backpacks and school supplies will help the children get a great start in the upcoming school year.

#### **About *CASA* for Children of Monmouth County:**

*CASA* for Children of Monmouth County is part of a nationwide network of community-based, non-profit programs that recruit, screen, train and supervise volunteers to “Speak Up for a Child” removed from home due to abuse or neglect. *CASA* is the only program in New Jersey that uses trained volunteers to work one-on-one with children, ensuring that each one gets the services needed and achieves permanency in a safe, nurturing home. Visit [www.casaofmonmouth.org](http://www.casaofmonmouth.org) or call 732-460-9100 for more information about how to get more involved.

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