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Eagle Springs Elementary School Hosts Shoe Drive

HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – Eagle Springs Elementary School will collect new and gently worn shoes on September 25 from noon to 3:00 p.m. The Eagle Springs Elementary School PTO will earn funds from Funds2Orgs based on the total weight of the pairs of shoes donated. The money earned will be used to purchase instructional materials, provide campus improvements, and host teacher appreciation events.

All donated shoes will then be redistributed throughout the Funds2Orgs network of small business partners. Funds2Orgs works with micro-entrepreneurs in helping them create, maintain, and grow small businesses in developing countries where economic opportunity and jobs are limited. Proceeds from the sales of shoes collected during shoe drive fundraisers are used to feed, clothe, and house their families. By donating gently worn, used and new shoes to Eagle Springs Elementary School, you will give the shoes a second chance, and make a difference in people's lives around the world.

"We are excited about our shoe drive," said Dr. Jeff Washington, principal at Eagle Springs Elementary. "We know that most people have extra shoes in their closets they would like to donate. By doing so, our school can lay the groundwork for further student achievement while helping families in developing nations who need economic opportunities. It's a win-win for everyone."

<u>Eagle Springs Elementary</u> is located at 3591 Highway 41 North in Byron. Dr. Jeff Washington serves as principal. For more information about the shoe drive, please contact the school at (478) 953-0450.

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