

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Montessori School gets new back-paks

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Old Town Mission of Cottonwood donated back-to-school back paks to Montessori School.

Old Town Mission (OTM) is a non-profit organization based in Cottonwood for the past 30 years.

OTM offers free legal aide, showers and noon meals to the homeless.

"They came with about 20 back-paks, some filled with notebooks and pencils so the children could start the year off. It was a wonderful gesture and we are so grateful," said Merika Bach, manager of Montessori School.

Merika said the Montessori School usually gets overlooked.

"This year, we were blessed. We do donate toys to their program each December and maybe that's why they reached out. Either way, YAY!" she stated.



## VERDE RIVER CLEAN-UP

The Environmental Protection Department will be hosting a clean up event from 8:00am-12:00pm on September 21, 2018 along the Verde River to help bring awareness to illegal dumping along the river on the reservation.

Meeting Location: Public Works at 7:30am

Lunch will be provided after the clean up event

**TIME: 8:00AM-12:00PM DATE: 09/21/18**

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