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Orland Township's Back-to-School Health Fair Draws a Crowd *Nearly 200 attended the event on August 14th.*

ORLAND PARK, IL — Orland Township's annual Back-to-School Health Fair, presented by Supervisor Paul O'Grady and the Board of Trustees, was a hit in the community. The event, which was held on August 14 on the Township grounds, focused on the health and wellbeing of children in the area as they got ready to go back to school.

"We understand how important it is that families have access to affordable health services in Orland Township, especially during the back-to-school season," said Supervisor O'Grady. "I'm glad so many people were able to make it out to take advantage of everything we had to offer."

This year, the Back-to-School Health Fair had plenty of help from a number of local businesses; Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois, Salon Evangelos, Orland Fire Protection District, Edward Jones, Patty Ridings (Family Harvest Church), and Pizza Pete being among many. The presence of all medical staff, which included doctors, nurses, and nurse practitioners, was greatly appreciated by all in attendance.

Orland Township volunteer Nancy Gurak, and Health Services Coordinator Mary Gerbas, were happy to have helped organize the occasion. "The community is thankful for the medical staff that showed up for us," Gerbas said. The events medical team included Dr. Shelli Seebruch, Maria Barbarasa, Diane Egan, Kathy Knawa, Alicia Vodicka, Pat Hamadeh, Rose Saavedra, and Marion Chacero. "We understand how hard the past year and a half has been for our healthcare workers; so, I feel like it's important that they get the recognition they deserve. We're not sure what we would have done without them."

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Rose Saavedra and Marion Chacero, two of the nurses who helped with immunizations at the Orland Township Back-to-School Health Fair.



Orland Township Trustee Michael Maratea with the Orland Fire Protection District. (L to R: Ryan Collins, Joan Mulchrone, Michael Maratea, and Chris Smith.)