St. Albans Elks Lodge #1566 presents the Department of Children and Families (DCF) of Franklin County, with 70 backpacks filled with school supplies from the Beacon Grant Backpack Project.

Left to right Exalted Ruler-Bruce Pelletier; DCF-Julie Rollo, Stepanie Gagne, Allison Roy, Katie Martin, Chris Bedell and Leading Knight-Stacey Trudo. (picture taken by Esquire; Kim Bourbeau)



On August 23, 2018, Exalted Ruler-Bruce Pelletier and Leading Knight-Stacey Trudo, presented DCF with 70 backpacks filled with school supplies to help children in Franklin County. The recipients of these backpacks are 10 times below the poverty level. The Beacon Grant is a \$2,000 grant that is ongoing and actively focuses on a single community need. Once the single community need is established, this grant will continue year after year. Below are the items that are in each backpack to help our youth get a good start to the new school year.

