

## Getting Ready for School

It may be early August but Milwaukee residents are already thinking about the fast approaching school year. Hundreds attended the Midtown Back to School Day held near 55<sup>th</sup> and Capital Drive.

Families took part in a day of activities, music, and free school supplies as well as signing up for the free preschool program Head Start. Sites from the Social Development Commission (SDC), Next Door Foundation and Northcott all helped residents with children between the ages of three and five years sign up for the Head Start program.

SDC operates or coordinates more than 30 Head Start sites located across Milwaukee County.



Families sign up for the Head Start program during Midtown Back to School Day.



Betty Shands-Hollingshed of SDC Head Start describes the pre-school program for families at Midtown Back to School Day.

on the link for “Head Start”.

They provide a blend of academic and social skill development, health and dental screenings and parental involvement for more than 3,000 youngsters. Sign up is going on now for the upcoming school year and registration information can be obtained by calling 414-906-2777 or going to the SDC website, clicking on the “Programs” page and then