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Handicapped to make it to circus

Each year the Community Mayors of New York State treats disabled children to a circus outing, but this year's trip was in question because of the school bus drivers' strike.

The show, however, will go on, and the children will get their chance to see the Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey Circus in Madison Square Garden tomorrow, thanks to the efforts of hundreds of people who found alternative transportation for the 18,000 wheelchair-bound and other handicapped children.

Dozens of Staten Island children, including some from the Staten Island Developmental Center, Willowbrook, and

20 elementary schools, will ride to the circus courtesy of volunteers.

Dominick Della Rocca, executive chief mayor of the organization, said circus performers have volunteered for the free performance, and Garden officials are donating their time to the circus outing.

But transportation seemed the toughest problem until Della Rocca contacted members of the Community Mayors.

They found volunteer drivers, some of whom will carpool and others who have found buses of their own. They will transport the children to the Garden tomorrow for the 10 a.m. show.

In addition, 2,000 adults have volun-

teered to accompany the children.

From all five boroughs, Westchester and Rockland Counties, New Jersey and Long Island, the children will come to enjoy the one-ring show assembled specially for them.

Community Mayors is a voluntary organization that sponsors four major outings a year for handicapped and disabled children.

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