

## **Seeking Heroes**

(NAPSA)—There are many heroes in America—some may surprise you. For example, while visiting a center for disadvantaged children, Joshua Marcus, age 16 of Boca Raton, Fla., noticed the children lacked school supplies and backpacks. Marcus felt compelled to form the nonprofit "Sack It To You."



Joshua Marcus, Volvo for Life Awards Inaugural Hero

Six years later, the nonprofit has raised \$350,000 and provided thousands of backpacks and school supplies to kids nationwide. This year, Marcus is being recognized as an inaugural hero for the Volvo for Life Awards—a nationwide program to seek and celebrate individuals doing extraordinary things. Following is some advice from this everyday hero.

- Understand that one person can make a difference.
- Set a goal and don't let anyone stand in your way.
- Remember that no act of kindness is too small to make someone else feel special.

The award organizers are seeking nominations for individuals making outstanding contributions in safety, environment or quality of life. Judges will select 10 finalists to each receive \$10,000. Three winners will be selected and a \$50,000 contribution will be made in the name of each winner to a charity of the winner's choice. One overall winner will receive a Volvo for life. To nominate someone, visit www.volvoforlifeawards.com before February 28, 2003.