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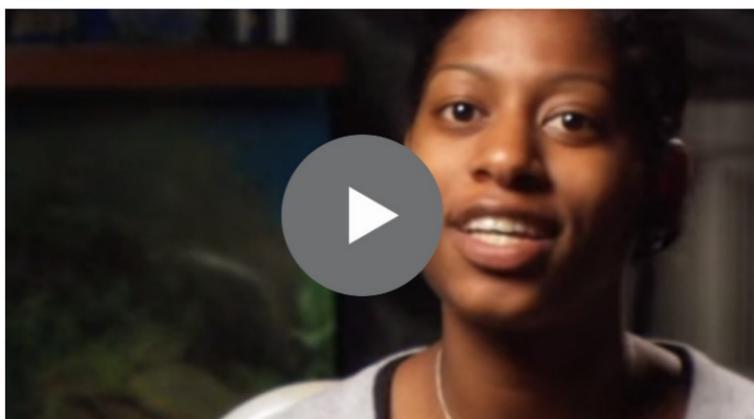
We're in the final week of the 2018 Operation Backpack® public drive, and we couldn't be more grateful for all of your support.



Operation Backpack® wouldn't be possible without the generosity of those who live in, work in, or care about New York City! Please know that your kindness makes a difference. Each year we are in awe of individuals like you who are so willing to make the children we serve feel more like their housed peers and less like a child in need on the first day of school.

August 3 is the last day that we will be collecting physical donations at our drop-off locations, so if you still have that backpack sitting patiently by the door, now is the time to **bring it to any of the drop-off locations listed here.**

After August 3, **you can still donate funds to Operation Backpack®.** These donations help us guarantee that we have enough supplies to finish the campaign, and that no child will have to go without.



How does Operation Backpack® help? **Rajini** received a backpack from Volunteers of America-Greater New York when she was a junior in high school. See how this simple gift impacted her future.



If you've organized a drive or a sort event for Operation Backpack® with friends, family, colleagues, or your community group, we'd love to see your photos!

Our friends at **Alix Partners** held a "mini-sort" where they filled over 100 backpacks! The staff even got their own

children involved, proving that it's never too early to start a tradition of philanthropy both at work and at home.

If you have photos you'd like to share with us, please email them to Julie Benns at jbenns@voa-gny.org.



Have you heard Volunteers of America-Greater New York on the radio? We currently have a radio spot running on **1010 WINS** to help raise awareness of family homelessness and Operation Backpack[®] 2018. **If you missed it, you can listen here.**

Let your friends, family and co-workers know how they can help New York City's homeless students succeed. The public collection may be winding down, but we're still **raising funds and awareness** for our cause. Connect with us on **Facebook**, **Twitter**, or **Instagram**. Don't forget to use the hashtag **#OperationBackpackNYC**.

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