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MEDIA ADVISORY

Fifth-Grader Kicks off Backpack Donations for this Year

What: Figarden Student Launches Backpack Donation Effort at Hamilton K-8 School

When: Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2018
3 p.m.

Where: Hamilton K-8 School
102 E. Clinton Ave. (93704)

Zackeria Lovick, a fifth-grader at Figarden Elementary School, will launch his Zack’s Packs backpack and school supplies donation effort for this school year at Hamilton K-School. Fresno State partnered with Zack at a women’s volleyball game Aug. 30, the university’s first “Back to School Night.” The team encouraged fans to bring backpacks and school supplies and then fans voted on which school to donate to, choosing Hamilton. Zackeria and the Timeout mascot from Fresno State will be on hand to present the donations to Hamilton. This is the first big donation of the 2018-19 school year for Zack’s Packs.

Zackeria started the donation effort in 2015 after he realized that not all students could afford to buy backpacks and supplies. He estimates that with the community’s help, he has been able to donate 700 backpacks filled with school supplies.

“I am extremely proud of Zack’s efforts to help other students who may struggle with a lack of school supplies. Like so many of our students, he is learning to work with his community to
reach out to those in need, and learning to serve others is a lesson that stays with us for a lifetime,” said Superintendent Bob Nelson.

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