

# Community Heroes



Simone Pizza of Team Boca Outbound (right) spearheaded an effort at the Boca Raton, Fla., Contact Center to collect used children's books for needy families. The drive yielded 117 books, which were delivered to the Learn-Read-Florida Project. Pictured with Simone is Rita Ames (left) of Team Nationals.



A partnership between Office Depot and the WNBA's Sacramento Monarchs resulted in the donation of 4,000 books and a new technology center for a Sacramento, Calif., area library. District 86 Manager Mohammad Khan (top photo, right) was involved in the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new tech center, which includes about 18 new computers and gives underprivileged kids access to the same technology available in the community's more affluent areas. "This again helps us stand tall above Staples and Max," Mohammad says. Office Depot's distribution center in the area also participated in the project.



Office Depot was pleased to support Hispanic Unity of Florida's first immunization drive in Hollywood, Fla. Parents and kids started to line up at 6 o'clock on the morning of the event. Approximately 100 children were able to have physicals and 200 were immunized before school started. Each child received a backpack and school supplies from Office Depot.



Sue Turner (left) and Bill McElligott (right) from Store 2114 in Crystal, Minn., were proud to present a check for \$4,500 to the Muscular Dystrophy Association during this year's Labor Day Telethon.



Ashley McLaughlin hits Jim Jardine with a pie as part of a project to raise money for leukemia research. Jim, Office Depot's LPDM for the St. Louis market, challenged Office Depot stores to raise \$175 to get to throw a pie in his face. Store 2157 in Wichita, Kan., met the challenge!