



## Street Outreach Programs



*Joshua E. Martin*  
*February through May, 2006*

A late February afternoon and our Street Outreach Program received a phone call from Norfolk Community Services Board about Joshua, an 18 year old high school student who had become homeless and was in need of shelter. David Mount, Director of our Street Outreach Program, drove to meet the young man and dispatched his Van Outreach Team as well. Joshua had been homeless for about two weeks and struggled to keep things together to remain in school. Joshua entered Seton Youth Shelters that night and continued to attend his high school in Norfolk. While at Seton Youth Shelters, Joshua was able to formulate future goals and move toward achieving them. He applied and interviewed at Job Corps and was accepted immediately into their program. While waiting for a date to report, Joshua continued to attend school. In May, 2006 Jonathan Williams, Street Outreach Case Manager took Joshua to the airport to begin a brighter future at the Charleston, WV Job Corps. Since then, Joshua has excelled in his chosen trade of Computer Repair. In addition, Joshua has earned his G.E.D., achieving a perfect score on the science section and one of the top three overall G.E.D. scores earned at that Job Corps facility. Joshua continues to excel in academics and is currently a member of the Charleston WV Job Corps Academic Olympic Team. These academic teams travel and compete with other Job Corps facilities in their region. Finally, Joshua has been successful in re-establishing contact with his mom and spent his summer break visiting her.

*All of us here at Seton Youth Shelters wish Joshua continued success  
and realizing how bright his future can be!!!*