



### NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

2018-2019 was another successful year for The Job Foundation. As I celebrate my one-year anniversary as its Executive Director, I reflect on the past year and each and every person who makes The Job Foundation such a unique organization. The organization's founder, Jennifer Brost, continues to be the guiding light for her amazing vision of empowering families to succeed financially, is readily available for counsel and advice, and, most importantly, is a continuing presence at lessons and events to support Job students.

In this report, you will read how The Job Foundation continues her vision to serve youth and their families with financial and leadership lessons, fun events and earnings. You will discover the generosity of our donors and the gratitude of our participants.

These pages are full of excitement and success stories that would not be possible without the amazing staff, volunteers, board members, supporters and community partners. I want to personally thank each one of you for your time, commitment, dedication and support over the past year. Enjoy these stories, and here's to another year of successes!



Cyd McHone
Executive Director

#### VALLEYOPOLY

This Monopoly-style board game customized to the Cedar Valley brought in a **net profit of over \$78,000** for The Job Foundation! Thank you to the numerous local businesses and individuals who supported us in this fundraiser.



## VOLUNTEER & PARTICIPATION REPORT

A total of **248 volunteers contributed 3,855 hours**. Of the total volunteer hours, 59 volunteer mentors contributed 1,570 mentoring hours. These hours make a direct impact on children's lives in Waterloo. We are so grateful for all of our dedicated volunteers! Together, we can see all children achieving financial success!



**Volunteer Spotlight: Michelle Fobian** *Volunteer mentor with nearly*200 *volunteer hours* 

"Working with the Job Foundation kids is so inspiring and rewarding. They are great kids who are learning important financial information and other practical skills that will help them throughout their lives, and they learn with such enthusiasm. Spending

time with Kiyonna and getting to know her and her family is also a blessing. I am thankful to get to be a part of their lives as they learn and grow throughout their school years."

#### PROGRAM REPORT

**Financial & Leadership Lessons** Each year, Job Foundation students grow in their knowledge of financial concepts. Financial knowledge is empowering and supports children to become financially independent adults. Financial lessons expose students to topics specifically related to financial literacy. Leadership lessons focus on maturity, responsibility and life skills. Below are financial and leadership lessons given this past year.

#### **ELEMENTARY STUDENTS**

receive a financial and leadership lesson every trimester

#### **Financial Lessons**

- Avoiding predatory lenders (helping kids understand that not everything is what it seems)
- Investing (learning the definitions of different types of investments and how money can grow over time)
- Taxes (what taxes are and what they are used for)

Paying bills

Budgeting

Auto & health

Weekly spending

Life & disability

Homeownership/

insurance

renting

& grocery planning

insurance

Taxes

Comparison shopping

Fraud

#### **Leadership Lessons**

- Understanding how addictive substances and behaviors can make you poor
- · Volunteerism and the benefits of volunteering
- Charitable giving

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS

receive financial and leadership lessons weekly after school

#### **Financial Lessons**

- Taxes
- Employment
- · Credit & debt
- Spending & saving
- Saving & investing/ Rule of 72
- Advertising
- Purchase planning
- Insurance

#### Leadership Lessons

- Non-materialism
- Charitable giving
- Volunteerism
- Work norms
- Gratitude writing thank you notes

# AVERAGE FINANCIAL & LEADERSHIP EXAM SCORES 96% ELEMENTARY

91% MIDDLE SCHOOL

97% HIGH SCHOOL

#### **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

receive financial and leadership lessons monthly

#### **Financial Lessons**

- Career
- Budgeting & paying bills
- Investments
- Predatory lenders
- Advertising
- Protecting your financial identity
- Buying a car
- Credit & debt

#### Leadership Lessons

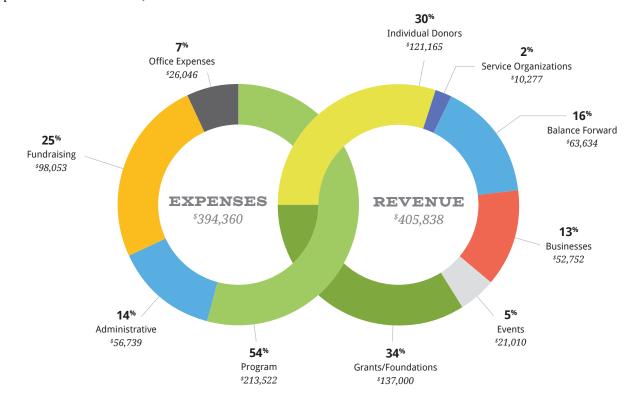
- Volunteerism & organizational skills
- Substance abuse prevention
- Restaurant dining
- Relationship skills
- Charitable giving
- ACT preparation (10th grade)
- Apply for and visit a college (11th and/or 12th grade)
- Complete Free Application for Federal Student Aid (12th grade)
- Apply for college financial aid





#### FINANCIAL REPORT

**Thanks to your support** during fiscal year 2018-19, a total of \$342,204 was received in monetary donations. Total revenues came to \$405,838. Cash expenditures totaled \$394,360.



#### STUDENT EARNINGS REPORT

**Total Student Earnings** During fiscal year 2018-19, a total of \$61,990 was awarded to students. Approximately 60% of this money (\$35,865) is being held for them in long-term savings. These earnings provide students with invaluable hands-on lessons and the long-term savings will launch them into adulthood upon successful completion of the program.

#### **On Track With Program Goals**

94.5% of students are on track to have \$3,000 in their savings account upon graduation.

Long-Term Savings Goal Per Year \$100.80 | Elementary \$330.00 | Middle School \$430.00 | High School



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#### **Board of Directors**

Thank you to the board of directors for providing dedicated leadership and governance to the organization.

Back row from left: Caleb Schmidt, treasurer Mike Brost, president Craig Mahood John Harris, secretary Front row from left: Maureen Hanson Sara Miller Ruth Cole



### IT Fund Supporter Spotlight Dr. Greg & Anne Hoekstra

Longtime supporter Dr. Greg Hoekstra became very involved with The Job Foundation's organizational processes, specifically data management and IT needs. He recognized that while the program was growing exponentially, IT and data management must grow

with it. Dr. Hoekstra and his wife, Anne, set up an IT Fund to support this area of need and encouraged other individuals to contribute as well. The Job Foundation now has a server and a new database to improve the ease and accuracy of data collected on over 100 students. In addition, a part-time IT consultant was hired to assist The Job Foundation to provide IT related support. Thank you, Dr. Greg and Anne Hoekstra!



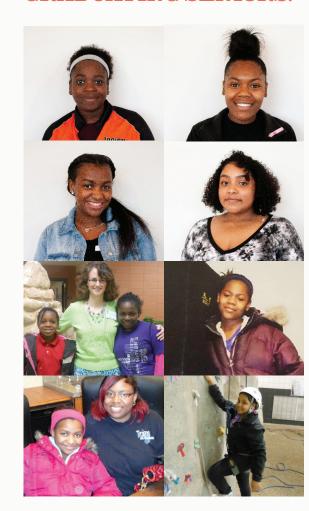
## **Donor Spotlight**Dave & Jeanne Allbaugh

Generous longtime donors Dave & Jeanne Allbaugh have established The Job Foundation Scholarship Fund at both Hawkeye Community College and the University of

Northern Iowa. The Allbaughs have a passion for and a vision to support Job students after they graduate from the program.

If you would like to make a donation to this scholarship fund, please visit www.thejobfoundation.org and click "TJF Scholarship Fund" under Donate, or call (319) 823-1030.

## CONGRATS TO OUR GRADUATING SENIORS!



These young women began the program in September 2009. After 10 years of financial literacy education and stewardship, they have acquired valuable knowledge and experience to help them succeed in the future. Due to their hard work in school, the average earnings they have accumulated in their savings account is \$3,300. These earnings will support them as they enter adulthood and independent living. As these young women begin a new phase of life, they are well-equipped to be good financial stewards while pursuing their passions!



The Job Foundation

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#### MISSION

To promote financial stewardship to students in Iowa's Cedar Valley through education, mentoring, and resources for the cause of economic advancement.



FINANCIAL LITERACY, LEADERSHIP. & COMMUNITY



248 VOLUNTEERS

INCLUSION

Success for all

3,855 HOURS

SUCCESS!



#### **EDUCATION**



"I GET SO MUCH JOY from connecting with

the **JOB FOUNDATION KIDS**. Working with all the individuals in this organization has

> $\blacksquare$ RESPECT

For everyone

H HOPE Sustained

commitment



**DEVELOPMENT** 

• **COMMUNITY** Bridging social divides •

**JOB FOUNDATION CORE VALUES** 

