

College and Career Readiness Annual Update

Neighborhood Services and Education Committee

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PATHWAYS TO POST-ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Graduating ready for college & career

UPDATES

- **SJ Engage**
- **SJ Aspires**
- **Career Online High School**
- **Working Scholars**
- **San Jose Works**
- **SJPL Works**

COLLEGE AND CAREER – SJ ENGAGE



SJ Engage 1.0

Goals: 250 youth participants
100 youth completing playlist
75 youth connect w/ gov't leaders
More than 300 youth participated

SJ Engage 2.0

SJ Engage toolkit
Learning Circles at 20 branches
100 youth to participate
Community-based social action projects funded



COLLEGE AND CAREER – SJ ENGAGE



IN FY 19-20

- 10 SJ Engage circles hosted at local branches
- 130 teen participants in person and online
- 75% increase in knowledge and confidence after participation
- 6 Teens Reach groups funded to implement civic engagement social action projects in their communities
 - Button making and letter writing campaigns
 - Teen mental health programming
 - Community garden
 - Documentary highlighting community diversity



COLLEGE AND CAREER – SJ ENGAGE



"The SJ Engage program has provided me with many opportunities and incentives for immersing myself in the community's issues and organizations. ... I was able to apply what I had learned as part of the program into my school curriculum and personal life."

- Rithwik, Village Square Branch Library





Helping San José's Students Achieve Their College and Career Goals

Pilot Results

- 59 registered users
- \$18,225.00 in earned financial awards
- 21 students attending a post-secondary institution

Where Are They Going

- 14 to Community Colleges (Evergreen, SJCC, DeAnza)
- 7 to Four-Year Colleges or Universities (3 CSUs, 2 UCs, 1 Private, 1 out-of-state)





Helping San José's Students Achieve Their College and Career Goals

- **FY19-20 Goals:**
 - 300 Registered Users by December 2020
 - Expand partnerships to include additional high schools and non-profit organizations
 - Deepen curriculum to reach students in grades 9 to 12



Helping San José's Students Achieve Their College and Career Goals



“SJ Aspires showed me what it takes to get to college and understand the college application process. My parents didn’t have a college education – I’ll be the first in my family to go to college. I’m excited to use my scholarship for textbooks next year!”

- Jesus, incoming freshman, San Jose State University

CAREER ONLINE HIGH SCHOOL



Qualification & Requirements

- Minimum age 19; live in San José
- Complete self-assessment
- Pass prerequisite class
- Pass interview
- Attend cohort orientation
- Pass 30-day probation on receipt of scholarship
- Complete program within 18 months

History & Statistics

- Program launched February 1, 2016
- 788 assessments and follow-up calls
- 197 interviews
- 8 cohorts
- 62 Graduates**
- 4 graduation ceremonies
- 18 graduates want to enter Working Scholars bachelor's degree program



CAREER ONLINE HIGH SCHOOL



1st Career Online High School Graduating Class on 8/23/2017.





Kick-Off in January 2020:

- Non-profit has existing partnerships with cities throughout the Bay area
- Funded by grant from the California State Library
- Available to students who have graduated from the Career Online High School
- Pilot of seven students with goal of growing the program over time



- 375 Paid Internships
 - Advanced manufacturing
 - Business /Financial Services
 - Construction
 - Health Care and Social Assistance
 - Information and Communications technology
- 141 with City and Nonprofits
- 93% of the youth successfully completed subsidized internships
- 625 Older Youth placed in Employer–Paid Job Opportunities

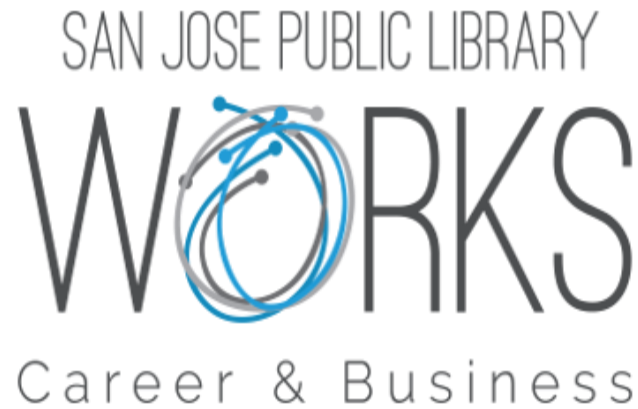


SJ Works 5.0

- Implement 1,000 Youth Summer Job Placement
- [Participant video](#)

Opportunities

- PRNS MGPTF 150 subsidized
- Work2Future 225 subsidized and 625 unsubsidized



FY 2018-2019

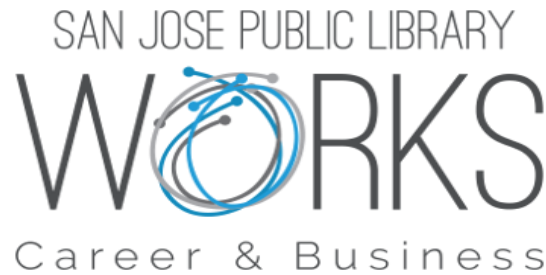
- 275 programs (116 business, 159 career)
- 28 partnerships
- 2,431 program attendees
- 975 received direct career or business reference help
- 86 one on one career or business consultations
- 96% gained knowledge to help with business/career goals



FY 2019-2020 Goals

- Continuation and expansion of core programs
- New partnerships, including Women Back to Work
- New pilot concept of networking spaces/programs, including target populations of:
 1. Women returning to work
 2. Tech sector staff who work remotely

SJPL WORKS - PARTNERS



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