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Hope after the storm

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PRESIDENT'S VOICE



It turns out that even tornadoes have a silver lining. In the wake of the devastating May storm that blew through North Minneapolis came thousands of acts of kindness. Neighbors helping neighbors. Emergency response teams. Thousands of volunteers from throughout the Twin Cities. More than a million dollars raised to support the recovery. And hundreds of personal messages of hope.

The Minneapolis Foundation and Greater Twin Cities United Way established the Minnesota Helps - North Minneapolis Recovery Fund within 24 hours of the tornado. By offering to match up to \$200,000 in contributions and creating a page on GiveMN, we were able to connect with thousands of donors right away. Many offered kind words along with their contributions; among them was this message: "I received financial support from MN Helps after the 35W Bridge Collapse. They were tremendously supportive and accountable for every dollar given out. My time to pay it forward!"

Paying it forward describes the mission of The Minneapolis Foundation and illustrates how we can accomplish more together than we can by ourselves. The tornado was certainly a great example of the sort of untapped community power that exists in the Twin Cities. A crisis brings out the best in people, but also reminds us of the safety net that may someday be there for us.

But beyond immediate crises, our community's success depends on each of us doing well *every* day – we simply cannot prosper as a region without everyone participating, thriving, and providing for their families. Investing in that vision and in our community's shared success is the what we do every day, thanks to the generous gifts of so many Minnesotans. In this issue of the Catalyst, you'll read about some of our successful recent efforts to ensure every child receives a great education, every adult has tools and opportunities to prosper, and everyone has a voice.

Through donor advised funds and planned gifts, our donors also make a difference on a variety of other causes they care about – whether it's preserving our local park system or empowering women half a world away. Thousands of individuals and families realize their vision for a better world through us. The impact is astounding.

Between the government shutdown and the tornado, our community was deeply shaken this summer. Fortunately, we also saw Minnesotans come through to create hope and greater possibilities for our neighbors, our children, and our community. Let's keep "paying it forward," together.

Sandra L. Vargas

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Heading Home Hennepin's Cathy ten Broeke, who spoke at the year-end celebration; Full Cycle Director Matt Tennant receives a grant from Taylor Larson on behalf of Fourth Generation members.

Face to Face is a one-stop shop for homeless youth. The nonprofit serves 3,200 homeless youth and young people in need, up to age 23 with some as young as 11 years old.

YOUNG LEADERS FIND A HOME AT THE FOUNDATION



Former "latchkey kids" who witnessed the Challenger Explosion, the onset of AIDS, and the rise of personal technology have developed into skeptical, but resourceful givers.

These young philanthropists represent the fourth generation of donors to partner with The Minneapolis Foundation. We've created a space for them to develop their own brand of giving, aptly named Fourth Generation.

Last fall, they pooled their donations, selected a focus – youth homelessness – researched the issue, reviewed funding proposals, conducted site visits, and selected organizations they felt would best benefit from their charitable support.

At a year-end celebration in May, Fourth Generation members gave \$17,000 to two programs: St. Paul-based Face to Face and Full Cycle in Minneapolis.

Helping to end youth homelessness

Through their research, Fourth Generation members learned that nearly 1,800 youth are homeless on any given night in Minnesota, and that not having an ID, access to transportation, or job skills makes it difficult for youth to break the cycle and stabilize their lives.

Fourth Generation members wanted to address just these sort of overlooked yet core needs that prevent young people from getting jobs, education, housing, and long-term success.

They chose to fund Face to Face, which runs a drop-in center, and Full Cycle, a free bicycle repair shop that helps young people develop job skills and get bikes for their own transportation. Both organizations stress that building trust and connecting with kids outside of a clinical setting is essential to serving youth effectively.

Cathy ten Broeke, who leads the City-County effort to end homelessness, praised the group's choice of investments.

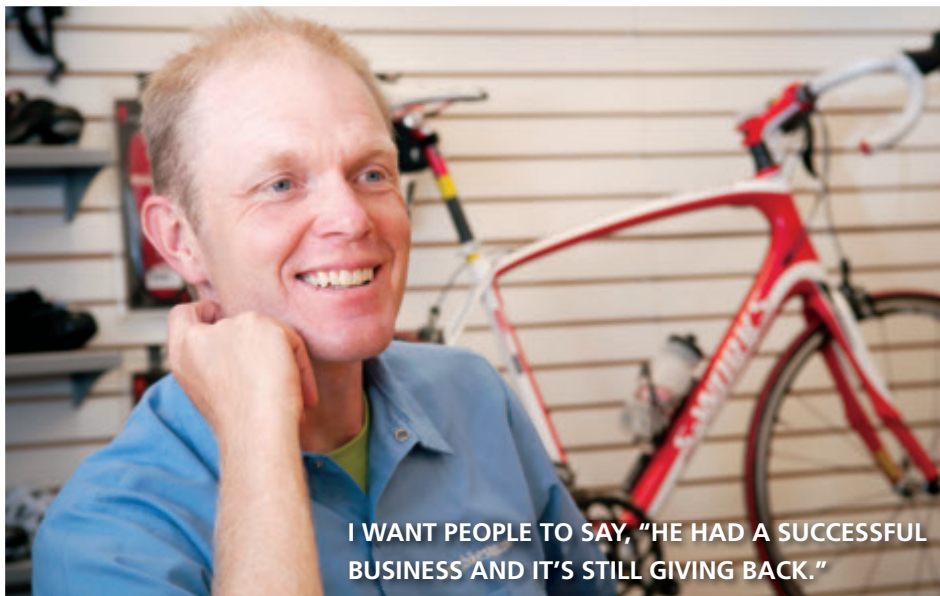
"Money spent on addressing the issue of homelessness is money well spent in terms of saving on emergency medical care and other facilities, but there's also the real human cost where we don't see kids sleeping in cars, people holding signs, and youth and adults living in the streets," she said.

Fourth Generation will start up again in the fall and members will choose a focus for the new year of giving. Members make an average annual donation of \$250-\$500 to the fund (which can be made incrementally). They learn about community issues and strategic giving; connect with peers, local leaders, and influencers; and develop leadership skills.

Adam Braun, successor advisor to his father's donor advised fund and a Fourth Generation member, said, "I've had a great time meeting a lot of interesting people who want to educate themselves about philanthropy in the Twin Cities and be more intentional about their giving." •



FOURTH GENERATION WANTS YOU! Young professionals, we need your ideas, your talent, and your gifts to make an even bigger impact next year! Donor advisors, let us know if your children or grandchildren (or other young people in your life) want to get involved. Try us on for size at an upcoming event, like us on Facebook, or visit FourthGenFund.org.



I WANT PEOPLE TO SAY, "HE HAD A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS AND IT'S STILL GIVING BACK."



ERIK SALTVOLD: PRESERVING GREEN SPACE



Erik the Bike Man is something of a local celebrity, known for his shop's quirky commercials that many of us can recite from memory. But what people may not know about Erik is his silent legacy with Minnesota's trails and parks.

Erik Saltvold and his wife Jane are leaving a portion of their estate to The Minneapolis Foundation to keep their passion for cycling and parks alive long after they pass away.

Through their estate planning, the couple hopes to build on Minnesota's rich history of promoting safe outdoor spaces.

Respect for those who came before

"Every time I ride around those areas I always marvel at the foresight of Theodore Wirth and others who set aside land around the lakes and created great places for us to recreate," Erik said.

Bikes are Erik's business, passion, and play. And Erik's warehouse is a "bicycle nirvana," a candyland for bike enthusiasts with rows of shiny new bikes for cyclists of all ages. It's hardly the "just-in-time" inventory Erik had in 1977 when he established the business in his parent's home in Richfield.

Erik's business has since grown from a modest backyard operation into a successful enterprise. Today, he has 18 stores and 250 employees throughout Minnesota and Wisconsin.

But biking is more than a business for Erik and Jane. They believe that cycling is at the core of many community issues including accessible transportation, health, urban planning, and the environment.

"I love seeing people of all abilities on bikes. I love seeing people flying by and seeing people you can tell

are just getting started. Over the years, I've met many people in the store who have said that cycling changed their life – its made them a healthier person, its made them more alive," he said.

Erik the Bike Man supports regional beauty

Erik and Jane are intentional about making their mark on our community. They chose the Foundation because they believe it's a great steward of our community's resources.

The couple appreciate the nonprofits and causes the Foundation supports. Erik in particular appreciates the charities and events his donor services advisor, Mary Ellis Peterson (pictured above) keeps him informed about.

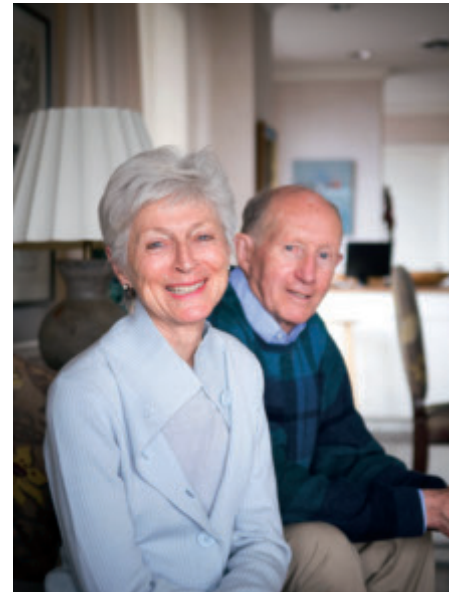
There's a strong focus on Minnesota and Wisconsin in Erik and Jane's estate plan that includes organizations like Minnesota Landscape Arboretum Foundation, Minnesota Bike Coalition, and Parks and Trails Council of Minnesota.

"My feeling is that if we have done business and earned our living in these markets, that's where the emphasis should be when giving back," Erik said.

"It would be really cool if people could look and say that trail is Erik and Jane's trail. And that Erik's company was a thriving entity that is still giving back," he added. •

What will your giving say about you? Leave a legacy for our community, a specific cause, or a particular charity.

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"THE KIND OF LEGACY WE WANT TO LEAVE IS FOR EVERYONE TO HAVE A CHANCE."

THE HAYDENS' RETIREMENT PLAN: GIVE, ACT, CHANGE



Bud Hayden is one in a thousand. Literally. In fact, he's become something of a legend at a local women's rights organization where he hosts a few tables of men at the annual dinner, standing out in a sea of women.

Both Bud and Carol Hayden share a strong passion for making sure women and children – in Minnesota and around the world – can shape their own lives. So when they sold Metro-quip, Inc., a construction equipment distribution company, they chose to roll up their sleeves and give time and money to tackling issues like women's health and well-being.

Turning success into opportunity

"We spend most of our time in Minnesota to stay active in the community" says Bud. (That doesn't mean he and Carol aren't snowbirds. Their strong ties to the community led them instead to summer on Lake Minnetonka and brave the winters in a riverfront downtown Minneapolis condo.)

With proceeds from the sale of their company, they established a donor advised fund at The Minneapolis Foundation, using their success to help others.

"We'd always heard good things about the Foundation and just wanted to be a part of it," said Bud.

Many of their friends already did their giving through the Foundation. The Haydens also appreciated the Foundation's leadership on education.

Having a donor advised fund has helped them become more focused in their giving, the common thread of which is equality and opportunity. The Haydens support many nonprofits, including Ready 4 K, which promotes an early and equal start on education.

Going the distance for women

They also fund many local women's groups like Planned Parenthood and the Minnesota Women's Foundation to help girls get a healthy start on life and gain the tools they need to be self-sufficient. And last year, Carol traveled across Africa to visit projects of the African Women's Development Fund, which she also supports through their donor advised fund.

Her visit to Kibera, Nairobi, was a particularly eye-opening experience. Carol immersed herself in the community and found inspiration in the women and young girls she met who had helped one another get out of the sex trade industry where they endured abuse and exploitation.

The women were now running successful businesses, selling charcoal and produce, which allowed them to support themselves and their children in a safe way that respected their dignity.

"We try to look upstream and make a difference," Carol said. "We've been in countries where wealthy people live behind walls covered with jagged glass and barbed wire. We don't want to live like that. The kind of legacy we want to leave is for everyone to have a chance, and the best foundation for that is a good education," she said. •

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FROM RELIEF TO RECOVERY: AFTER THE TORNADO



Jamal said, “The Northside means a lot to me. This is where I grew up, it’s where I was born.” According to Tabitha, “It was sad to see all of the houses with so many trees blown down.”

These teenagers, working through an EMERGE program, funded through the Minnesota Helps Fund to clear debris and patch up homes, illustrates just how personally the tornado has affected North Minneapolis residents. Their supervisor, Linda Bryant, noted that many families who usually participate in EMERGE’s programs were simply missing – moved out, no forwarding address.

North Minneapolis leads the way

Yet most of the youth also expressed how good it felt to be helping out. Percy, another youth participating in the clean up effort, reflected, “If we don’t do it, who else will?” That self-determination has been a theme throughout the tornado recovery effort.

Groups like the Red Cross and Salvation Army were on the ground immediately, but were soon followed by North Minneapolis-based organizations like EMERGE, which made 400 trips within the first week, helping residents get to shelters, showers, and food shelves. They also responded to more than 450 requests within days for food, water, clothing, household goods, medical and mental health services.

The Minneapolis Foundation and Greater Twin Cities United Way established a relief and recovery fund a day after the tornado tore through North Minneapolis. The two agencies seeded it with \$200,000 in matching funds. Contributions from more than 4,500 individuals, and more than a dozen foundations, and local businesses quickly generated more than \$1 million dollars. Minneapolis Foundation donors alone gave more than \$250,000.

More than \$1 million has now been distributed from Minnesota Helps to cover emergency relief supplies, housing, food, child care, and small business support.

As the needs shifted from crisis response to longer-term needs, Northside agencies have shown their commitment to working together. More than 20 groups comprise the Northside Community Response Team, which will collaborate on who needs help, what they need, and what services have been provided.

Minnesota Helps has supported 31 individual agencies’ efforts, as well as funding the centralized support they need to be effective. This includes a hotline people can call to access all of the services and referrals they need, and staffing to locate displaced residents and support their recovery.

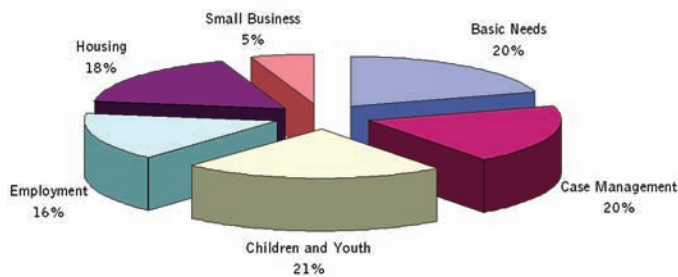
“This is an unprecedented level of coordination in terms of human service delivery on the Northside. It goes to show how much a tragedy can unify us around a common purpose,” said Chanda Smith-Baker, Pillsbury United Communities president and CEO.

Fast, but fair and accountable

The Minneapolis Foundation and United Way learned from managing the Minnesota Helps - Bridge Disaster Fund that close coordination and data sharing among service delivery providers is key to extending the reach of the public’s donations. The goal is to make sure the money serves as many people as possible - swiftly, effectively, and transparently.

“We have an accountability to our donors and to the community,” said Karen Kelley-Ariwoola, the Foundation’s Vice President for Community Philanthropy and a Northside resident herself. (Karen reflected on her experience with the tornado and her pride in North Minneapolis’ swift, homegrown response to the disaster in an Op-Ed published in the *Star Tribune*.)

How the money has been distributed to help people and neighborhoods recover



Karen and Frank Forsberg, her United Way counterpart, have been the “ears on the ground” for the local foundations and corporations participating in the Minnesota Helps Fund.

“It’s been amazing to see how contributions raised throughout our community are supporting such a wide variety of needs, said Christa Getchell, president of Park Nicollet Foundation, who contributed through the Minnesota Helps Fund and participated in the grantmaking process.

Community spirit a comfort after disaster

Inspiring stories of neighbors helping neighbors abound. During a morning jog, an anonymous donor dropped off a \$1,000 cash contribution. Seven year-old Owen donated the proceeds from his lemonade stand. An unemployed man gave \$30 to help those he felt needed the money more than he did. And a woman who had received support from a Minnesota Helps Fund established after the bridge collapsed, donated shortly after the tornado, saying it was her turn to “pay it forward.”

Experts anticipate a 36-month recovery period for North Minneapolis. Without individual assistance granted from FEMA, those efforts will fall on local public and philanthropic resources to rebuild. We’re being as thoughtful in disbursing funds as possible, to ensure they make the greatest possible impact, but the needs will undoubtedly exceed resources currently available. Donations are still being accepted through GiveMN.org, who, along with The Minneapolis Foundation, is covering credit card fees for donations to the Minnesota Helps Fund.

The strength, compassion and generosity of North Minneapolis residents and people through the Twin Cities showed that even a tornado cannot tear a community apart. •

Contribute or learn more at MinnesotaHelps.org.

Making a difference...together

The Minnesota Helps - North Minneapolis Recovery Fund raised more than \$1.3 million within weeks of the tornado, thanks to the generosity of our community.

Over a million has already been distributed to meet North Minneapolis residents’ needs.

Grants have been given to the following organizations to provide assistance with housing and human services:

HOUSING

Heading Home Hennepin • Minneapolis Urban League • Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity, Inc. • Urban Homeworks

BASIC NEEDS

EMERGE Community Development • MAD DADS • Minneapolis Department of Health and Family Support • Operation Living Hope • Prayer Center • Pillsbury United Communities • Project for Pride in Living • Sabathani Community Center • Second Harvest Heartland • World Vision

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Asian Media Access • Boys and Girls Clubs of the Twin Cities • Family Partnership • Kwanzaa Community Church • Minneapolis Beacons Network • North Community YMCA • Northside Achievement Zone • Phyllis Wheatley Community Center • Plymouth Christian Youth Center • Shiloh International Temple • YWCA of Minneapolis

EMPLOYMENT

EMERGE Community Development • Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board • Tree Trust

SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT

Northside Economic Opportunity Network • West Broadway Business and Area Coalition

CASE MANAGEMENT

Northside Community Response Team • Jordan New Life HUB

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SUPPORTING WHAT WORKS in EDUCATION



Third-grader Abdi grudgingly showed up for Learning Connection, a school-based program to help kids with low reading scores improve their literacy, and expressed little motivation to read.

Yet within the year, Abdi's reading scores improved 50%, and he transformed from a timid reader to a confident student who volunteers to read aloud in class. As a member of Minnesota's future workforce - whether as an executive, entrepreneur, or skilled worker - Abdi's reading skills should interest us all. Our future economy and quality of life depend on every child receiving the highest quality education we can offer.

Today, only half of Minnesota's children are ready to learn when they enter kindergarten, half are proficient in reading in third grade, and fewer than half are graduating on time. Our state is struggling with one of the largest achievement gaps in the nation – but there is hope.

Success within reach

Proven and promising strategies to boost achievement

While there is no silver bullet, there are strategies proven to help close the achievement gap. The Minneapolis Foundation invests in a number of these, including:

- **promoting early childhood learning** - preparing students to succeed from day one, when it's easiest and most cost-effective.
- **supporting effective teaching** - recruiting, rewarding, and retaining highly-effective teachers so every child makes academic progress every year.
- **increasing parent and community involvement** - ensuring schools, families, and the community work together and each contribute to our children's education.
- **closing the opportunity gap** - ensuring every child regardless of race, income, or zip code receives the rigorous, well-rounded education needed for success.

We're seeing success every day. Here are just two of our recent investments, that are showing big returns.

The new face of the PTA

Increasing community and family involvement

Parent involvement is an essential ingredient for student success, but there's often a disconnect between intent and action.

As the smallest racial group in the Minneapolis Public Schools, American Indian students often feel invisible and their needs go unmet. At 21% their four-year graduation rates are Minneapolis' lowest. It's part of a painful history: just three generations ago, American Indians were removed from their homes and sent to schools that erased all signs of Native culture. As a result, bringing Native culture into the schools has proven to be a powerful way to engage American Indian families, and overcome a legacy of mistrust.

The Minneapolis Foundation supports the nonprofit **MIGIZI** ("eagle" in Ojibwe) in involving more American Indian parents in education. After parents who participated in MIGIZI's program saw how the school community responded to a Powwow they organized, they felt motivated to take the next step: surveying other American Indian parents to identify



Teach for America founder Wendy Kopp shared lessons learned about closing the achievement gap at our Minnesota Meeting event at Twin Cities Public Television.



concerns and share them with the Minneapolis School Board. They're taking ownership of their children's needs, working with the schools, and showing their children how central education is to their family and culture.

Creating a level playground

Promoting early childhood learning

When our children aren't ready to learn when they enter kindergarten, we're consigning our public schools - and our teachers - to deliver 12 years of remedial work. It's incredibly hard to "close the gap" when our children start behind.

Along with a dozen local funders, we're working to make school readiness a priority for our state. We're proposing earlier childhood screening so there's time to address issues that arise before school begins. We also support a rating system so parents can identify quality childcare options that are affordable and accessible.

Parents who rely on "friends, family, and neighbors" aren't left out of the equation: we help **Resources for Child Caring** provide home-based care centers with toolkits to help them incorporate learning into their day.

Preparing our children for school success is possible: In Minneapolis, we've seen a 13% increase in the number of children entering kindergarten ready to learn in just three years. •

Learn more about these and other efforts to ensure every child receives the high quality education needed for individual success and regional prosperity.

Doubling your impact for kids

Each year, our donors contribute \$6 million from their donor advised funds to education in Minnesota and beyond. We recently offered to match* their education grants. The result? Over \$270,000 to 49 local programs! Here's what just a few of our donors had to say about the programs they support:

"Admission Possible has an enviable reputation for interesting, motivating, counseling, and assisting "underprivileged kids" to get into colleges and other post high school educational institutions." - **Scott and Marjorie Johnson**

"Sobriety High Charter School serves students in recovery from chemical dependency. It often takes kids headed for prison and sends them to college." - **Alan Braun**

"The Blake School not only has high academic standards, but it puts equal value on the importance of giving back to the community and a broad acceptance of all cultures." - **Caryn Schall**

"AchieveMPLS supports Minneapolis public schools. They focus on career preparedness, summer jobs, math and science education for girls, and arts education." - **Karen Cooper and Bruce Schneier**

"Way to Grow works closely with parents and communities, ensuring that children within the most isolated communities are born healthy, stay healthy and are prepared for school." - **Julie and Doug Baker**

"Banyan Community provides higher ground scholarships and tutoring to students from the Minneapolis Phillips neighborhood to mentor them for college."

Willie and Doug Eden Family Fund

> You can join these and other donors who've chosen to give through The Minneapolis Foundation by establishing a Donor Advised Fund. Matching grants are one of the many ways we can help you make a greater impact on our community and the causes you care about.

*\$1,000 match for a grant recommendation of \$1,000 or more.



CREATING PROSPERITY CHANGING LIVES



We all do better when everyone participates in our economy. The following are a few efforts the Foundation and many of our donors support to help our neighbors gain skills, pride, and opportunity for themselves, their families, and our community.

Business finds sweet success

Robert and Zacharus Turner, the father-son duo behind the tasty treats at Southern Delights, began their small business at Kindred Kitchen after struggling to find a commercial kitchen for more than four years. Since then, they've grown their business and have even hired a new chef to accommodate their growing demand.

Investing in small businesses and underserved neighborhoods makes our whole community stronger. Small businesses have generated 64% of net new jobs over the past 15 years. The Minneapolis Foundation supports **Catalyst Community Partners**, who runs **Kindred Kitchen**, as part of a revitalization of West Broadway Avenue, a main artery of North Minneapolis. Community development agencies like Catalyst that are attuned to the specific needs of their clients allow small businesses to grow and help struggling neighborhoods become thriving commercial corridors that draw human and investment capital.

Making the most of a second chance

After serving a 3-year prison sentence, Michael* knew he wanted to change his life. Upon release, he enrolled in **Project for Pride in Living's** "Excellence in Manufacturing" class. Within a month of his training, Michael landed a full-time job at a local business earning \$10 an hour plus benefits.

There's a close link between employment and recidivism rates: former offenders are less likely to reoffend if they have the skills they need to get a good job. Investing in job skills and opportunities brings tax dollars back to our community; investing in prison terms does not. Project for Pride in Living helps people earn a legal, living wage that instills a sense of pride in the individual, his or her family, and our community.

Not just a roof, a foundation

Twenty-six-year-old Ashley* enjoys her job as a mall supervisor and attends Minneapolis Community & Technical College. Things weren't going as well for this mother of two a few years ago when her son was diagnosed with epilepsy and cerebral palsy. His health issues threatened to end her school career and employment prospects.

Almost 70% of Minneapolis families in poverty are headed by a female with no partner present. And like many single parents, Ashley struggled to care for her children's immediate needs while taking the steps needed to give them a more stable future.

With help from **The Jeremiah Program**, Ashley found an affordable place to live, support from other single mothers, and help connecting her son with the services he needs.

**Names have been changed.*



Transforming lives and landscapes

While improving individual odds, these organizations are also making deeper changes to positively affect as many people as possible. **Summit Academy OIC**, for example, runs a successful training program in construction work. Such high-paying, skilled work is a ticket to self-sufficiency, but only if jobs are available. That's why Summit also works with the City of Minneapolis and the State of Minnesota to increase minority participation in publicly-subsidized development projects.

Efforts like this will hopefully help Minnesota lose its status as home to the nation's largest employment gap between whites (6.4% unemployment rate) and African Americans (22% unemployment rate).

With everyone working, we will all do better. •

Visit MinneapolisFoundation.org to learn more about creating a prosperous community in which every person, family, and neighborhood has the tools and opportunities needed to thrive.



Make it personal!

Looking for a new way to make a difference? Try tapping your hobbies for inspiration. Connecting your giving with your personal interests can be particularly satisfying.

Here are few ideas to get you started. Are you a...

BOOKWORM?

- Organize a donation from your book club to address a topic you've read about.
- Support adult literacy programs.

FOOD LOVER?

- Deliver meals to people in need or stock a local food shelf.
- Support programs that teach young parents nutrition and lifelong cooking skills.

SPORTS FAN?

- Sponsor programs that give kids a chance to learn your favorite sport or hobby.
- Cover transportation, equipment, and other costs so more kids can participate.
- Support the local parks so every child has a safe, supervised space to play.

NATURE LOVER?

- Give to programs that bring more people into our beautiful parks.
- Help make safe water, clean air, and green space a given for every neighborhood.

SOCIAL BUTTERFLY?

- Befriend a senior.
- Volunteer in a classroom.

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