



# **The Education Equation**

Give Something Back (Give Back) provides college scholarships and mentoring to students who have faced economic hardship and other adversities.



The Problem: 1 in 5 children in the U.S. live in poverty. (U.S. Census Bureau)

The Give Back Solution: To break the cycle for at-risk youth, we make education the common denominator.



#### **Give Back Scholars**

We select students who are racially diverse, academically motivated and resilient. Most are first generation college students who come from families below the poverty line. A special outreach is given to students who have experienced heightened social risks such as foster care or the incarceration of a parent.



## **Investing in Futures**

Every Give Back scholar receives a full scholarship that covers college tuition, fees, room and board, lifting the heavy financial burden and overwhelming debt associated with higher education.



## More than Money

We select scholars early—as soon as ninth grade—so they benefit from college readiness programs, campus visits, financial aid workshops, test prepatory classes and social events. Scholars are required to take a rigorous courseload, remain in good academic standing and demonstrate strong character.



#### **College Graduation Rate**

90<sup>½</sup>

9%

Lowest-income bracket students 4-year graduation of Give Back scholars





100 percent Give Back alumni employment rate.



More than 50% of alumni are mentors in the program.



Give Back helped me to strive harder to achieve my goals and stay focused to set an example for my siblings. To say I am eternally grateful would be a gross understatement.

-Alexandra, Give Back alum



## **Integral Support**

A pillar of our program is mentoring. Volunteer mentors support, challenge, guide and hold their scholars accountable throughout high school.



## How it All Adds Up

By utilizing government financial aid, in-state tuition and subsidies from Give Back's generous college partners, the Give Back financial model maximizes the number of scholars who can attend college at one of our partner schools.



# Strength in Numbers

From our college partners to valued high school counselors, strong partnerships are critical to our success. We rely on the expertise of our community partners to serve as an extension of our team.













### **Full Circle**

As a senior in high school, Robert O. Carr was surprised to receive a \$250 college scholarship from the local woman's club. Inspired by the award, he vowed to someday help other students facing hardship. He never forgot his promise. In 2003, he founded Give Something Back.

The program started with seven kids in his small, working-class hometown. Today, Give Back has invested more than \$36 million in scholarships across the country, and the results have been remarkable.



To learn more about how Give Back is changing lives, families and communities, visit us at giveback.ngo. 888.383.9877

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