



JOURNALISTS' GUIDE TO JFF

Sources for Stories on Education Reform and Workforce Development



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Dear Journalist,

In the 1980s, the United States had the world's most educated population. Today, we are #10. JFF works to reverse this trend.

We create programs and policies for educating high school and college students, and for advancing low-wage workers so they can support their families.

This **JOURNALISTS' GUIDE** lists education and workforce topics on which JFF experts can be sources for your stories.

Our programs reach nearly 200 communities across 41 states, giving more Americans the chance to succeed in a global economy. We look forward to sharing our work with you.

With regards,




Marlene B. Seltzer
President & CEO
Jobs for the Future





JFF's staff is nationally recognized and widely used as sources on education reform and workforce development topics.

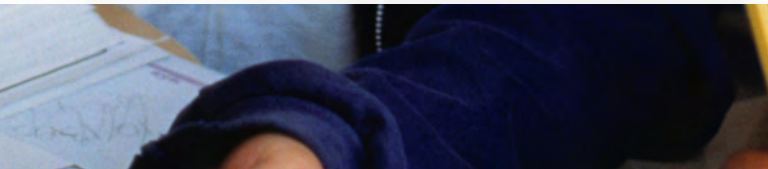
EDUCATION

- The high school dropout crisis
 - The changing role of community colleges
 - Racial and economic achievement gaps
 - Dual enrollment programs (college IN high school)
 - Improving college access for low-income youth
 - Developmental education
 - School design innovations
 - Career and technical education
 - Federal and state education policy
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WORKFORCE

- Education for working adults
- Economic competitiveness for U.S. workers and businesses
- Workforce partnerships
- Career advancement for low-income adults
- Reducing poverty
- Green job creation
- Federal and state workforce policy





SUCCESS STORIES

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Being at this school and in this environment of constant support made me realize that, no matter who you are or where you come from, you have the potential to fulfill your dreams.

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- Lauren Merrell, Graduate of Toledo Early College High School
Toledo, OH





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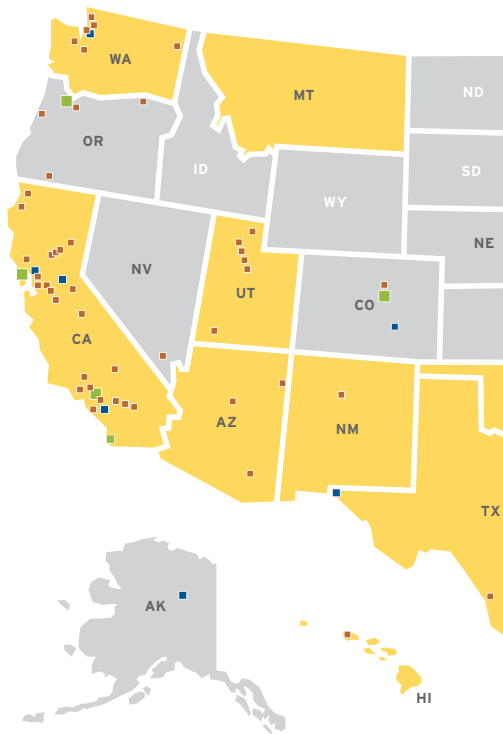
I started out in the laundry room at Good Samaritan Hospital. I was there for five years. Now after a year of working as a Certified Nursing Assistant, I work in the hospital's rehab department, assisting with occupational and physical therapies. This program helped me see that there are a lot of opportunities out there that I can take advantage of. So I've challenged myself to do better.

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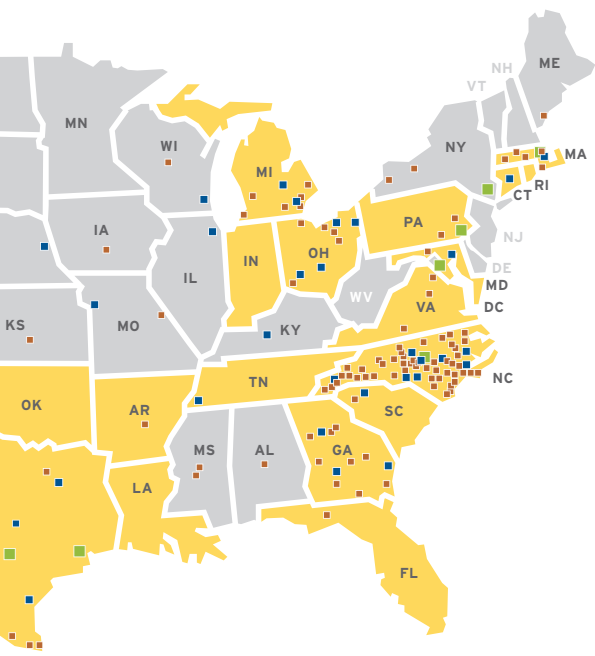
- Jerome, a participant in the National Fund for Workforce Solutions
Baltimore, MD



JFF's initiatives span nearly 200 communities across 41 states to achieve our goal of giving every American the chance at college and career success.



- **Statewide Initiatives**
- Communities with 1 JFF initiative
- Communities with 2-3 JFF initiatives
- Communities with 4+ JFF initiatives



NATIONAL INITIATIVES

JFF serves in-school students, out-of-school youth, and working adults who need multiple pathways to advance their learning and careers.



Achieving the Dream
Community Colleges Count

ACHIEVING THE DREAM

Helping community college students earn valued credentials and using data to track and ensure student success at more than 100 colleges in 16 states.



BREAKING THROUGH

Enabling adults with little education to prepare for and succeed in college technical programs at 33 community colleges in 18 states.



COLLEGE PRODUCTIVITY

Increasing the number of college graduates within available resources and while preserving instructional quality.



CONNECTED BY 25

Working with states, cities, and national youth networks to ensure that dropouts and other struggling youth not only earn their high school degrees but advance to higher education and careers.

CONNECTING LITERACY AND WORK



Jobs to Careers

*Promoting Work-Based Learning
for Quality Care.*



CONNECTING LITERACY AND WORK

Advancing low-skilled adults in their careers by linking adult literacy programs to workforce initiatives in 5 communities.

EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL INITIATIVE

Creating schools that help underrepresented youth earn a high school diploma and one to two years of college credit—tuition free.

JOBS TO CAREERS

Advancing the skills and careers of frontline health care workers through work-based learning at 17 sites across the country.

NATIONAL FUND FOR WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS

Forging 30 regional partnerships that benefit employers, their employees, and their communities through hundreds of local partnerships.

UNIVERSITY PARK CAMPUS SCHOOL INSTITUTE

Preparing small school developers, leaders, and teachers to implement the strategies and techniques that have led to universal college readiness at UPCS.

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