



# SecureFutures Money Path

Teenagers in our community face a complicated series of choices as they head into life after high school. Should I enter the workforce or pursue more education? How will I pay for college? Will I need student loans? How do I prepare and save for my future?

Money Path is our cutting-edge, web-based financial education application preparing students to answer these questions and more. If you have basic knowledge of technology and personal finance and a passion for connecting with teens, **you can change lives** by bringing this transformative tool to teens as a Money Path volunteer.



## You give

- Expertise and skills to youth who need it
- Time with students, based on your schedule
- A commitment to deliver two programs per year (up to 3 hours)
- A business connection to teens in your community

## You get

- Satisfaction from a positive impact on a teen's life
- Interactive, engaging experiences with students
- Training and support from our staff
- Teaching tools that are regularly improved based on educator & volunteer feedback

*“As a volunteer in the classroom, I learn more than I could ever teach. I learn to be optimistic because today's young people are smart and inquisitive. I learn to be humble because so many of them have risen above extremely challenging conditions. I learn to be patient because they are trying so hard to understand. I learn to be grateful for all I have been given.”*

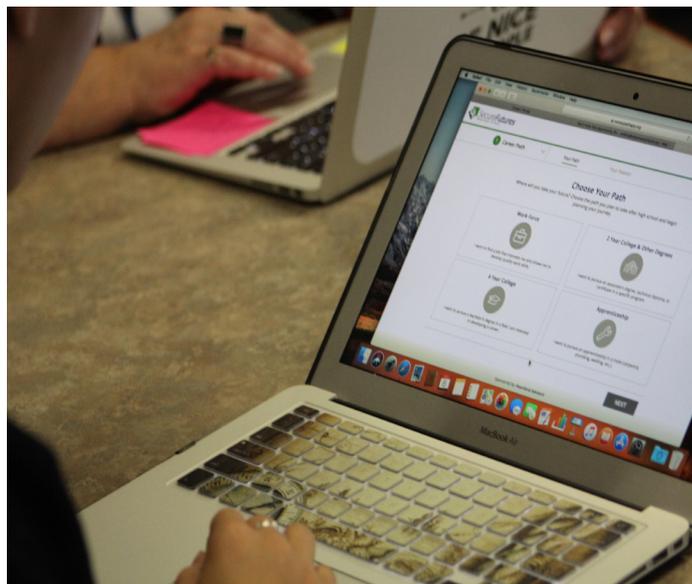
*- Sarah Walker, Chairperson of SecureFutures Board of Directors  
BMO Private Bank*

## The Money Path app

Money Path allows students to compare and contrast the effects of their choices after high school through an intuitive, step-by-step simulation which includes everything from student loans to car payments to retirement savings. As a volunteer, you'll guide students through how to use the app and equip them with financial planning principles as they work toward the decisions and goals that will secure their futures.

### Money Path Lesson Objectives

1. Explore important questions about financial health and decision-making: what does money mean to you? What financial goals will you have when you are living independently? What will impact your ability to achieve those goals?
2. Identify your path after high school: a 2-year or 4-year college, an apprenticeship in the trades, or direct entry into the workforce.
3. Investigate the steps along that path using the Money Path app, examining student loan debt, salary, savings goals, major purchases, and budgeting.
4. Receive guidance from a Money Path coach about how engaging in financial planning tactics can lead to better outcomes.
5. Review a personal profile showing the impact of your decisions on your long-term financial success.



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*“Money Path gives you a platform to investigate your future.”*

-Spencer, Money Path Student

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Take the first step toward changing teens' lives -- and your own.  
Become a Money Path volunteer:

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#### About us

**SecureFutures** empowers students with life-changing financial education and coaching. SecureFutures was founded as Make A Difference - Wisconsin in 2006 and remains dedicated to strengthening our communities by ensuring every teen is confident and capable when it comes to managing money. Our collaborative network of supporters, volunteers and educators have worked to improve financial futures for more than 70,000 teens. For more on our student stories, community commitment and Investment Conference, visit [securefutures.org](http://securefutures.org).