



# SecureFutures

Money Smart. Life Smart.

## Volunteer today. Change a teen's life.

Our teens need you! For many high school students, financial education is the crucial intervention that can prevent them from making costly mistakes on their way to achieving their goals. SecureFutures' volunteers empower teens with transformative knowledge, mentoring, and tools to build a secure financial future. Our volunteers come from all walks of life, but have one thing in common: a compassionate drive to impact the lives of teens with financial capability.



### *You give*

- Knowledge, skills, and mentoring to youth who need it
- Varying levels of time commitment based on your schedule and the programs you choose to volunteer for
- Your unique life and professional experiences to illustrate the importance of financial responsibility

### *You get*

- The satisfaction of having 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 and 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."*

- Sara Walker, Chairperson of SecureFutures Board of Directors  
BMO Private Bank

## What does it mean to volunteer for SecureFutures?



Our volunteers deliver financial education programs in high schools classrooms or at community-based organizations serving teens. Most sites are located in metro Milwaukee, with some throughout the state of Wisconsin and into the greater Chicago area. Most volunteer opportunities are scheduled during the school day, though some evening and weekend opportunities are available. Depending on the program, you can commit to just a few hours of time or a longer commitment over the course of an entire semester.

## Which programs are the perfect fit for you?

### Money Sense

Money Sense volunteers introduce students to essential financial literacy concepts and practices in a classroom-based program. You should be comfortable in front of a group of teens leading engaging discussion and activity-driven lessons and have a familiarity with basic personal finance concepts.

- *Lesson/program length:* three 90-minute or six 45-minute class sessions (around 5 hours total)
- *Expected volunteer commitment:* at least one program per year, plus 2 hours of training
- *Training:* in-person and webinar trainings (2 hours) or online training (1 hour)

### Money Path

Money Path volunteers use the interactive, web-based Money Path app to guide students in independent exploration about how the different choices available to them can affect their future financial goals. You should be comfortable with simple technology and financial goal-setting concepts and be ready drive engagement by asking questions and sharing your own experiences.

- *Lesson/program length:* one 90-minute or two 45-minute class sessions (around 1.5 hours total)
- *Expected volunteer commitment:* at least two programs per year, plus 1 hour of training
- *Training:* webinar trainings (1 hour) offered periodically throughout the year.

### Money Coach

Money Coach volunteers serve as semester-long mentors, engaging and encouraging students in small groups and one-on-one as they develop action plans to achieve financial goals. Group coaches lead the main activities, and one-on-one coaches provide personalized mentorship to individual students. You should have familiarity with basic personal finance concepts, the ability to commit to all sessions, and an interest in building meaningful relationships with teens.

- *Lesson/program length:* eight 90-minute sessions, every other week for 4 months (around 12 hours total)
- *Expected volunteer commitment:* one full, 4 month program, plus 4 hours of training
- *Training:* in-person trainings (4 hours) offered at the beginning of each semester

## Take the first step toward changing teens' lives -- and your own. Become a SecureFutures 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).