SLIP has provided stable and consistent opportunities for St. Louis high school students for over almost 25 years. Since 1992, we have had a consistent success rate of over 98% of 3,600 interns graduating high school.

In 2015, 100% of 120 interns successfully completed their internships after completing the SLIP’s mandatory Training & Development Component.

100% of 63 seniors graduated high school and 96% (62) enrolled in college, with two students entering the military.

In SLIP’s Patient Care Internship Component, 100% of nine students successfully completed Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA) training and a paid SLIP internship.

Nearly 200 SLIP alumni participated in SLIP’s year-round postsecondary planning activities. SLIP offered ACT preparatory courses, financed ACT test fees, visited colleges, provided scholarships and scholarship resources, facilitated on-campus residential pre-college programs, and offered career/professional development opportunities.

Ninth graders completed SLIP’s Pre-Internship Component where they advanced in math and English; increased their computer literacy; and developed more life skills.

Brought to you by Home State Health, Youth Learning Center, and SLIP, students engaged in Health Coders, a three week technology camp that taught them new skills, and saw an increase in math and English; and a decrease in repetitive health-related issues.

In just three short weeks, Mr. Hullverson’s vision became a reality. His and other St. Louis law firms supported this program by donating personal funds to provide professional attire for 52 bright St. Louis youth who came from underserved backgrounds, creating a vision for the future.

He gathered a small group of friends and made an investment in the future of bright St. Louis youth who came from underserved backgrounds, creating a vision for the future.

As you can see, Mr. Hullverson’s start-up investment has grown into a successful nonprofit organization that has changed the lives of nearly 4,000 St. Louis students. Recent events in Ferguson have shown us how much more we need to do.

We are so very grateful to the many local corporations and foundations that support us each year. Today, we offer special thanks to our Corporate and Foundation partners, who support our St. Louis students every day through their giving to SLIP. We appreciate you!
SLIP interns are eager to contribute to the workplace by completing authentic tasks. Interns do real work, ranging from clerical tasks to research, events support, inventory control, tutoring, and much more. Interns complete work readiness training that teaches workplace communication, problem solving, professional conduct, networking, resume writing, interviewing, and other key skills.

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And SLIP is a lot more than just the program – we as SLIP leaders care deeply about our students. In fact, we WERE those students. We grew into leaders. We understood the challenges and faced them. We found hope at SLIP for fantastic futures. Now we have the opportunity to get SLIP students ready and pay forward the power that SLIP opportunities provide.

At SLIP, we talk about hope and opportunity. We focus on a “strength-based approach.” We cringe when too much focus is put on our students’ challenges. We want to make sure that every student we touch understands the value of education, graduates high school, obtains a post-secondary education or training, and ultimately secures a career and sows a seed back into the St. Louis community.

SLIP’s Get Ready focus rests on the concept that when students aggressively pursue the opportunities they receive through SLIP programs, they will not just get a job, they’ll change the trajectory of their lives. What a transformation! You may be wondering how SLIP leaders can provide this much powerful impact through an internship program – well, it’s simple really. SLIP is focused not just on changing students’ job status or their understanding of employment – we’re focused on changing their minds. And when you change a mind...and a heart...you change a life.

Please accept my sincere thanks for all you have done and are doing to help our SLIP Internship Program youth Get Ready for a fantastic future!

Shanise Johnson
Executive Director