



Minds Matter
Chicago

TRANSFORM STUDENTS' LIVES AS A MINDS MATTER VOLUNTEER

65

High school students
served in 2017-2018

\$24K

Students' average
family income

150

Dedicated
volunteers

100%

Students accepted
to a 4-yr college

OUR STUDENTS

The average family income of our students is \$24,048, just below the federal poverty line. They are often first in their family to attend college. Minds Matter students are determined, focused, and fully aware of the value of higher education to their lifelong successes. Their commitment to themselves and to Minds Matter is truly impressive.

OUR RESULTS

- 100% of Minds Matter graduates are accepted into a 4 year college or university.
- 17:1 ROI: Every dollar of donor-invested funds yields \$17 in economic and social impact.
- 93% off Minds Matter alumni are enrolled in or graduates of a 4 year college or university.

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THE PROBLEM

High schools with predominantly low-income students have 1,000 students per counselor versus a national average of 471 students per counselor. 50% of our nation's high-achieving, low-income students do not apply to a single selective college.

THE SOLUTION

Minds Matter Chicago transforms the lives of accomplished high school students from low-income families by broadening their dreams and preparing them for college success. We do this through an intensive three-year program that includes group academic instruction, personalized mentoring, and summer enrichment programs.

WHY VOLUNTEER

When you join Minds Matter Chicago you become a part of our national network of community leaders across 13 cities with many opportunities to make a lasting impact. We are looking for:

- Mentor
- Test Prep Instructor
- Associate Board (Fundraising & Events)
- Committee Volunteers

"I would not be going to Harvard if it weren't for Minds Matter. Minds Matter helped me keep strong when I felt the weight of the world on my shoulders, and my mentors, in particular, gave me something to believe in."

— David, Harvard University Class of 2016