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**INVESTOR REPORT**
as of September 2014

**OUR MODEL: FIND. FUND. SCALE.**

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**SELECT PORTFOLIO HIGHLIGHTS**

- **81%**
  of Reading In Motion’s kindergarten and first grade students read at or above grade level

- **85%**
  of OneGoal’s 2013 high school graduates enrolled in college (Chicago Public Schools = 57%)

- **85%**
  of KIPP Chicago’s 2013 alumni entered college within five years of completing 8th grade (Chicago Public Schools = 37%)

- **67%**
  of One Million Degrees’ entering 2010 community college students graduated by 2013 (City Colleges of Chicago = 13%)

**RECENT HIGHLIGHTS**

- **Year-long leadership development for grantee senior management**
  [Accenture]

- **Strategic plan to increase KIPP Chicago’s college graduation rate**
  [Bain & Company]

- **Real estate legal support for LEARN Charter School Network’s new campus**
  [Latham & Watkins]
### BOTTOM LINE

**DESCRIPTION:** College access and persistence for low-income, first-generation students  
**INVESTMENT:** $100K + management support  
**INITIAL INVESTMENT YEAR:** 2014  
**FY14 REVENUE:** N/A  
**FY14 PARTICIPANTS:** N/A  
**FY14 HIGHLIGHT:** Chicago operations launched in July 2014 serving 150 students

### CITIZEN SCHOOLS

**DESCRIPTION:** Expanded learning time and apprenticeships for 6-8th grade  
**INVESTMENT:** $315K + management support  
**INITIAL INVESTMENT YEAR:** 2012  
**FY14 REVENUE:** $1.4M  
**FY14 PARTICIPANTS:** 340  
**FY14 HIGHLIGHT:** Students gained an average of two academic years of learning in a core subject

### EMBARC (2013 PROJECT IMPACT WINNER)

**DESCRIPTION:** Social and cultural enrichment experiences for high school students  
**INVESTMENT:** $100K + management support  
**INITIAL INVESTMENT YEAR:** 2013  
**FY14 REVENUE:** $0.6M  
**FY14 PARTICIPANTS:** 350  
**FY14 HIGHLIGHT:** 98% of seniors graduated from high school over the past two years

### GENESYS WORKS

**DESCRIPTION:** Internships and mentoring for high school seniors  
**INVESTMENT:** $225K + management support  
**INITIAL INVESTMENT YEAR:** 2012  
**FY14 REVENUE:** $0.9M (YTD)  
**FY14 PARTICIPANTS:** 128  
**FY14 HIGHLIGHT:** 100% of students that completed the program enrolled in college

### JUMPSTART

**DESCRIPTION:** Preschool literacy  
**INVESTMENT:** $200K + management support  
**INITIAL INVESTMENT YEAR:** 2012  
**FY14 REVENUE:** $0.8M (YTD)  
**FY14 PARTICIPANTS:** 695  
**FY14 HIGHLIGHT:** 65% of students were kindergarten ready

### KIPP CHICAGO SCHOOLS

**DESCRIPTION:** K-8th grade charter school network (4 schools)  
**INVESTMENT:** $450K + management support  
**INITIAL INVESTMENT YEAR:** 2013  
**FY14 REVENUE:** $15.7M  
**FY14 PARTICIPANTS:** 2,979  
**FY14 HIGHLIGHT:** 80% of students met or exceeded academic growth targets

### ONEGOAL

**DESCRIPTION:** Teacher-led three-year college access and persistence  
**INVESTMENT:** $565K + management support  
**INITIAL INVESTMENT YEAR:** 2011  
**FY14 REVENUE:** $2.5M  
**FY14 PARTICIPANTS:** 1,523  
**FY14 HIGHLIGHT:** Added 12 school partners and increased student enrollment by 23%

### ONE MILLION DEGREES

**DESCRIPTION:** Support for community college students  
**INVESTMENT:** $350K + management support  
**INITIAL INVESTMENT YEAR:** 2013  
**FY14 REVENUE:** $1.5M  
**FY14 PARTICIPANTS:** 130  
**FY14 HIGHLIGHT:** Piloted an expanded partnership with City Colleges of Chicago

### READING IN MOTION

**DESCRIPTION:** Arts-based early childhood literacy for K-1st grade  
**INVESTMENT:** $350K + management support  
**INITIAL INVESTMENT YEAR:** 2013  
**FY14 REVENUE:** $1.9M  
**FY14 PARTICIPANTS:** 3,875  
**FY14 HIGHLIGHT:** Secured 12 new CPS partners for 2015 school year

### LEARN CHARTER SCHOOL NETWORK

**DESCRIPTION:** K-8th grade charter school network (8 schools)  
**INVESTMENT:** $875K + management support  
**INITIAL INVESTMENT YEAR:** 2011  
**FY14 REVENUE:** $34.1M  
**FY14 PARTICIPANTS:** 2,979  
**FY14 HIGHLIGHT:** Opened a new campus for 1,400 elementary and middle school students

### UPWARDLY GLOBAL

**DESCRIPTION:** Job placement support for skilled, legal immigrants  
**INVESTMENT:** $100K + management support  
**INITIAL INVESTMENT YEAR:** 2013  
**FY14 REVENUE:** $0.2M (YTD)  
**FY14 PARTICIPANTS:** 109 (YTD)  
**FY14 HIGHLIGHT:** Average placement salary is $44K versus incoming salary of $6K (YTD)