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WILL YOUR BUSINESS
SUPPORT VAN GO'S MISSION?

TO INSPIRE
YOUNG LIVES
THROUGH ART,
WORK, AND
COMMUNITY

ART

"Van-Go single-handedly helped me realize that I am an artist, I am talented, and that I do have a future in the arts. From magnets to murals, **Van-Go has encouraged me to define my own voice as an artist,** because people will love it all the same."
- June Hackney



WORK

"Van Go is not just a job to me. It has always been the highlight of my day and a place where I can express myself through art. **When I walk through those doors, I can expect a place that would challenge me, help me, and motivate me to be the best person I can be.**"
-Jafiya Birdling



COMMUNITY

"**I feel exponentially more in touch with my community and my city.** I've learned about so many wonderful resources and community programs and that has given me a whole new appreciation and love for Lawrence."
-Charysse Gonzalez



SIGN US UP!



YOUR BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP SUPPORTS...

At Van Go, art is the vehicle by which we provide employability skills training, health and wellness education, and social service support. Youth are hired to create artwork to share with our community, from small, household objects d'art to benches and large-scale community murals.

ART

Your support allows us to :

- invest in professional grade art supplies and tools, showing our Apprentice Artists that their work is worthy of high-quality materials and ensuring their artwork stands the test of time.
- enrich our arts programming by contracting with teaching artists from our community to impart their specialized skills to our youth.
- partner with other nonprofits and local organizations on community art endeavors
- host public mural unveilings and recognition ceremonies to honor the hard work of our Apprentice Artists.

WORK

Van Go serves 14-24-year-old youth with identified barriers to employment and educational attainment. Van Go is the first employer for many of our young people, introducing them to important workplace norms and training them in soft skills valued by future employers such as punctuality, attendance, teamwork, communication, and decision-making. Your support helps Van Go empower youth to create their own vision of success.

With your support, we offer:

- “earn while you learn” programming where youth earn a paycheck for creating art while also gaining vital employability and life skills.
- ongoing Employment Services for current and former participants offer help with resume building, job seeking, and interview prep.
- paid, community-based internships that align with the career interests or skill set of our 18-24-year-old Arts Train participants after they have finished 9 months of on-site work.

The wrap-around support services at Van Go provide a holistic approach to self-care and wellness. Through educational opportunities and experiential practice, Van Go imparts that when youth are cared for outside of the work environment, they are the best prepared to perform in the workplace and enjoy a healthy lifestyle.

COMMUNITY

Your support helps Van Go provide:

- Go Healthy programming, including mental health supports, healthy snacks and summer lunches, nutrition education, physical activity, and wellness activities/education, integrated into all of our programs.
- two full-time licensed Social Workers to provide mental health support and to facilitate access to community resources for current and former participants.
- tutoring, financial literacy and independent living skills lessons, FAFSA assistance, and dropout prevention strategies.
- our Van Go & Co. clothing closet, a resource for clothing, personal care, and hygiene products for current and former participants.

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Do you need an invoice for your contribution? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Questions? Contact the Community Engagement team at 785-842-3797.

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Sponsorship Amount

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| ☐ \$500 | ☐ \$7500 |
| ☐ \$1000 | ☐ \$10,000 |
| ☐ \$2500* | ☐ Other |
| ☐ \$5000^ | |

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^Min. for logo on donor wall

