

Skills for employment.

Skills for life.

With your support, Work Options for Women strives to help people overcome barriers to sustainable employment through building confidence while providing resources and culinary job training.



### Dear Friends,

So much has happened in just one year. The mobile classroom we launched in 2018 continues to provide training to justice involved students, and this year, we are on pace to train more than 200 students. But the real impact is felt one student at a time. I would like to tell you about Tasheena, one of our mobile classroom graduates.

Tasheena got into trouble when she was a young mother. As she says, her decisions were not good, and she got involved selling drugs which resulted in serving five years in a Colorado prison. Upon her release, she was determined to do things differently. She was offered parole at a halfway house in Lakewood and took it. She was really scared; she had no skills so her job opportunities were limited. Since living in a halfway house costs money every day, her debt was mounting, until she attended a WOW information session. She learned that she could gain skills to work in a growing industry, that WOW would pay for her rent at the halfway house while she was in training, that the training was on the property that she would receive job search training and assistance, and that she would complete the program with employment. She took full advantage of the opportunity, never missed a class, developed great skills and became an asset in the kitchen. By the end of her job search, she was working two culinary jobs and was steadily reducing her \$3,000 debt to the halfway house. She stayed in touch and when our Chefs had an opening for a student-intern they thought of her first. She was an exemplary intern and was offered a job as permanent staff. Today, she has paid off her debt and has more than \$5,000 in savings. She rented an apartment for her mother and two daughters and is proud to be a positive role model for her girls. She is a talented culinary teacher and is passing along her love of cooking to new student each day. Tasheena shows us how valuable the WOW program can be when a student is determined and works hard. Tasheena is special. And so are each of our students as they work to move forward.

But there is more we must do. We are launching a new program — our very own food truck — to allow mobile classroom students an opportunity to add four weeks of practical paid employment experience to their four weeks of training in the mobile classroom. These paid internships will add to their resumes, skill proficiency, and understanding of what employment means.

This new social enterprise is planned to launch in spring of 2020 and will be featured at Women Cook 2020 on April 27. Can we count on you to help us give more students the opportunity to work hard and create the future they want? Your sponsorships allow us to provide skill building, job readiness, and most importantly, the confidence to create their own best future.

With gratitude,

Julie Stone Executive Director, Work Options for Women



SINCE 1997, OUR PROGRAMS HAVE ENROLLED



>3,200 students

IN 2018.

60% more

students trained than any other year with mobile classroom addition IN 2019,

>120 students

will become sustainably employed

### WomenCook Sponsorship Levels

16th Annual WomenCook | EXDO Event Center, April 27, 2020



# **Executive Chef** \$10,000

Promotional and program video

### **EVENT BENEFITS**

 Two tables of 10 with premium table placement (20 guests total)

### PROMOTIONAL BENEFITS

- Company profile in event press release
- Premium logo placement on invitation (1,000 + households)
- Link to company website with name on WOW website for one year
- 2 social media shout outs

### ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

- Prominent logo placement on Mobile Culinary Classroom or food truck for one year
- Recognition in the promotional video

# Chef Instructor \$8,000

100 individual counseling sessions

### **EVENT BENEFITS**

 Two tables of 10 with premium table placement (20 guests total)

### PROMOTIONAL BENEFITS

- Prominent logo placement on event invitation (1,000+ households)
- · 2 social media shout outs

### ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

 Company logo on student uniforms for one year

# **Sous Chef** \$5,500

ServSafe Food Handlers Training with Certificate for 250 students

### **EVENT BENEFITS**

 One table of 10 with prominent table placement (10 guests total)

### **PUBLICITY BENEFITS**

- Prominent logo placement on event invitation (1,000+ households)
- · 2 social media shout outs

# **Prep Cook** \$3,000

Practical Prep Cook exam for 55 students

### **EVENT BENEFITS**

 One table of 10 (10 guests total)

### PUBLICITY BENEFITS

- Prominent logo placement on event invitation (1,000+ households)
- 2 social media shout outs

# **Foodie** \$2,000

8 Mind Over Matter Cognitive Behavioral Therapy classes

### **EVENT BENEFITS**

- One table of 10 (10 quests total)
- Recognition on screen

### PUBLICITY BENEFITS

 1 social media shout out

### WomenCook Sponsorship Form

**Questions? Contact Us** 

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**ATTN: Bailey Denmark**