

STATION 8

“GROW OUR OWN”



SPRINGFIELD'S GROW OUR OWN MINORITY PARTICIPATION PROGRAM



The Minority Participation Program offers a combination of exposure, education and employment opportunities for high-achieving minority youth who have an interest in and aptitude for science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

MENTORING

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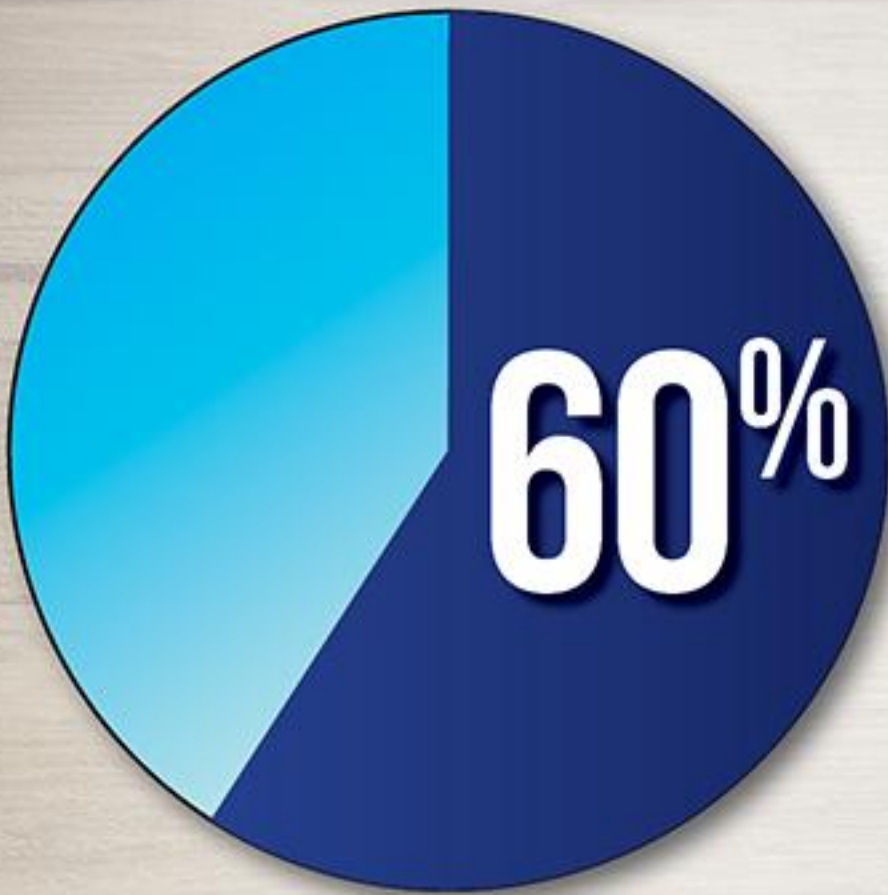
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TRAINING

Middle School - Spark Interest

High School - Mentor

College - Experience



"60% of the time internships
turn into a job offer."

-Forbes.com



Leaders of the Springfield area meet to discuss program goals including ways to identify youth to participate.



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SUCCESS STORIES = JOBS!

"I have learned an immense amount throughout my first summer with Hanson Professional Services Inc. pertaining to both my career pursuit and life in general, but something that truly stuck with me was the realization that scholastic performance can only take you so far, to be successful in anything you must also learn from the lessons not written in books."

» Alexander Diop

Intern at Hanson attending Tuskegee University to pursue a degree in computer science.



Harrison Williams, Alexander Diop and Nicholas Moore

"My favorite part about this internship is the exposure to multiple markets in civil engineering and the opportunity to experience different disciplines while learning valuable engineering skills. Hanson's internship opportunity allowed me to understand the practical applications of things I learned in school. I could never imagine concepts such as interpolation, statistical analysis and calculus-based applications would be so common and useful in the real world!"

» Harrison Williams

Railway engineering intern at Hanson attending the Georgia Institute of Technology to pursue a degree in civil engineering.

"Hanson has provided me with an opportunity to gain practical experience, by applying methods and theories that I've learned in class."

» Nicholas Moore

Infrastructure engineering intern at Hanson who is pursuing a degree in civil engineering at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville.

MEET HANSON'S NEWEST SUCCESS STORIES



Corbin Doss
B.S. in Civil Engineering,
Southern Illinois University



Ryan Ordonez-Haggard
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