Working Impact

# Collectively unlocking the skill power of 30,000 youth

**MHA Labs** is a movement of youth and adults who seek to create a world where all young people are empowered with the skills and resources they NEED—to achieve the personal and community aspirations they WANT.



#### WORKING IMPACT CITIES

Brooklyn Center, MN Brooklyn Park, MN Chicago, IL Minneapolis, MN New Orleans, LA New York City, NY Saint Paul, MN Springfield, OH



# HUMAN POTENTIAL:

**MHA Labs** operates as a nonprofit innovation firm launching ventures that unlock the generational human potential of youth and young adults. We collaborate with 1000's of researchers and practitioners to resolve both side of the human potential equation. In our path to maximize skills achievement and personal willpower, we collectively and relentlessly work to eliminate the bias and structural forces that limit the contribution of human potential.

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#### **HUMAN CAPITAL:**

MHA Labs launched **Working Impact** in 2011 to redefine the how youth human capital is valued as a driver of social and economic progress. Working Impact does not theorize about the value of youth talent but designs performance measurement tools that validate youth as skilled workers and contributors. Our researchers also develop employee impact surveys to validate the conditions that allow human capital to flourish.

# **ONE SUMMER CHICAGO**

# FOUNDING PARTNER:

**ONE SUMMER CHICAGO** is a leading Working Impact partner striving to redefine the value of youth in the City of Chicago. OSC provides 25,000+ youth and young adults between the ages of 13 and 24 with meaningful summer employment and learning opportunities. Using MHA Labs' Employee Performance Review and Youth Impact Survey, OSC was able to tell a radically different story than what the media portrays about youth in Chicago.



# **Youth Impact Survey Item Template**

Randomizing items in surveys significantly increases the validity of the results. Therefore final print and online survey DO NOT include section headers and items are randomized.

Rate how true is each statement is about your summer work/program experience on a scale of 1-5, with 5 being the highest:

1—NOT AT ALL TRUE	<b>2</b> —A LITTLE TRUE	3—SOMEWHAT TRUE	4-MOSTLY TRUE	E 5-	-COMP	LETELY T	RUE	
JOB SATISFACTION				1	2	3	4	5
I found a sense of purpo	ose and meaning in what	I did this summer						
Overall, I was satisfied w	with my summer experier	nce						
I felt increasingly certai	n this job was a good thi	ng, as the summer went on						
PERSONAL MOTIVATIO	N				<u> </u>	1	11	
What I learned during th	his summer is necessary	for my success in the future	е					
Even when things got di solve the problem	iscouraging this summer,	, I knew I could find a way t	0					
Overall, my summer exp	perience made me more h	nopeful about the future						
My summer experience	will will help me achieve	goals I have for my life						
EDUCATIONAL ASPIRAT	TION				1			
My summer experience	made me even more com	nmitted to doing well in high	n school or college					
My summer experience to my life goals	helped me to focus on sp	pecific educational options	that align					
My summer experience r	made me more likely to pu	Irsue a college degree or voo	cational certification					
CAREER ASPIRATION								
My summer experience	helped me make a decisi	on about my career choice						
As a result of my summ	er experience, my career	goals are now more ambiti	ous					
As a result of my summ	er experience, my career	goals are now more certain	ı					
My summer experience	will help me get an even	better job later on						
SUPERVISOR RELATION	١S							
My supervisor helped m	e set and achieve goals							
My supervisor took me	seriously and treated me	fairly						
My supervisor helped m	e see future possibilities	for myself						
My supervisor usually g	ave me work that was me	eaningful						
OVERALL EXPERIENCE					1			
Working hard this summ	ner is going to pay off lat	er						
My summer experience	taught me valuable skills	3						
My summer experience to give me useful advice		ond with an adult who I can	count on					
FINANCIAL RESPONSIE					1	1		
Did you open a bank ac	count? (if no, I already ha	ave one; I chose not to; I di	d not know how)					
Did you use direct depo	sit?							

 \$0
 \$2,000

 How much money did you save this summer?
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# **Technical Skill Survey Innovation**

MHA Labs designed an innovative custom survey application to allow each supervisor to enter and rate their own specific job profile. Simple task entries will be converted into nationally standardized job titles and technical tasks using the API services from the Skills Engine and the U.S. Department of Labor's O-Net Database.

# BASIC JOB TASKS LIST

Job Task 1: Supervisor type's in brief description Job Task 2: Supervisor type's in brief description

Job Task 2: Supervisor type's in brief description

## JOB TITLE SELECTION

O-Net Automated Job Title Listing Dropdown

TECHNICAL SKILLS RATING	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	NEUTRAL	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE	NOT OBSERVED
O-Net Automated Technical Skill Description						
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O-Net Automated Technical Skill Description						

# **Hirability Requirements Survey Section**

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HIRABILITY REQUIREMENTS RATING	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	NEUTRAL	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE	NOT OBSERVED
PROFESSIONAL ATTITUDE						
Brings energy and enthusiasm to the work						
Graciously accepts criticism						
Takes responsibility for his or her actions and does not blame others						
Stays calm, clearheaded and unflappable under stress						
TEAM WORK ETHIC						
Actively looks for additional tasks when own work is done						
Actively looks for ways to help other people						
PROBLEM SOLVING						
Unpacks problems into manageable parts						
Generates multiple potential solutions to problems						
Identifies new and more effective ways to solve problems						
TIME MANAGEMENT						
Manages time and does not procrastinate						
Gets work done on time						
Arrives on time and is rarely absent without cause						
EMPLOYER SATISFACTION						
If I had a job opening, I would hire this employee						
I would seek out this person to be on my next project						
I would recommend this employee to a colleague, for a similar position						

**KEY STRENGTH:** (Please limit to text or tweet length, 140 characters)

# Working Impact Employee Performance Review

# Skills Scorecard: One Summer Chicago

# EMPLOYEE:

**Sarah Jackson** Web Designer MHA Labs Chicago, Illinois

# SUPERVISOR:

**Leslie Beller** CEO MHA Labs

# PROGRAM:

One Summer Chicago

**PROGRAM PARTNER:** Phalanx Family Services

#### TIMELINE: Summer 2016

### PERFORMANCE RATING LEVELS:

NV = NOVICE	EM = EMERGING	ST = STANDARD	S	SK = SKIL	LED	EX = EXPERT			
Hirability Skills P	erformance:			NV	EM	ST	SK	EX	
Brings energy and enthusiasm	to the work							~	
Graciously accepts criticism							~		
Takes responsibility for his or l	her actions and does not blame	others					✓		
Stays calm, clearheaded and unflappable under stress							✓		
Actively looks for additional tasks when own work is done							~		
Actively looks for ways to help other people							~		
Unpacks problems into manageable parts							✓		
Generates multiple potential solutions to problems							~		
Identifies new and more effect	ive ways to solve problems					~		1 1 1 1	
Works hard to get the job done						✓		0 0 1 1 1	
Does not procrastinate								1 1 1 1	
Arrives on time and is rarely absent without cause							:       		
Technical Skills P	erformance:			NV	EM	ST	SK	EX	
Perform or direct Web site upd	lates							~	
Design, build, or maintain Web management tools, and digital		ing languages, content creation	tools,				~		
Write, design, or edit Web pag	e content, or direct others prod	ucing content			✓				

Hirability Status:	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE			
If I had a job opening, I would hire this employee		✓			
I would seek out this person to be on my next project		✓			
I would recommend this employee to a colleague, for a similar position	<b>√</b>				



#### **KEY STRENGTH:**

Sarah's excellent attention to detail made her our best web application tester.