# **EXPL⊗**RING<sup>™</sup>

**Exploring** is a unique career exploration program for young men and women ages 14-20. The program provides students with an opportunity to learn about a wide variety of career fields and network with professionals already working in those fields.

Youth get hands-on experience to determine whether or not a particular career field is right for them. They develop valuable networking contacts with professionals working in their selected career fields, and get to know other youth with the same interests and aspirations. It's a really cool career club atmosphere.

**Exploring** is the first step in identifying career possibilities while having fun in an exciting and informal environment.



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#### SKILLED TRADES

South Technical School

#### GENERAL CAREERS

SIUE Upward Bound Jackie Joyner Kersee Center Normandy School District

# EXPL⊗RING™ IMPACT 2020

1,150 teen members were in the Exploring programs of 63 counties in Southern Illinois & Eastern Missouri





317 volunteers lead the Exploring programs in their local communities

68 Exploring Posts were sponsored by organizations and businesses





\$4,144 in financial assistance was awarded to area youth to participate in Posts













### WHY?

We are always working with companies and organizations to establish new Career Exploring programs across our region to build pathways for youth.

#### Consider these benefits

- Year round, local support staff
- Proven and flexible program model
- Nationally recognized and endorsed
- Positive community involvement
- Pipeline for future employees
- Positively impact youth development
- Employee professional growth
- Strong local and national support

### CONTACT

Learn more about Exploring at STLBSA.ORG/EXPLORING

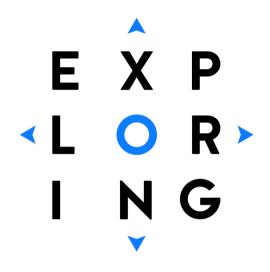
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