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Letter from the Executive Director



We had a wonderful time celebrating our community of Future Leaders and Mentors on Saturday, June 3rd!

This month's letter is dedicated to everyone who has made a difference in the lives and experiences of our first generation of Future Leaders over the past 18 months, and to the wise leaders who envisioned this new program as a core element of who we are and will become as an organization.

On Saturday, we also celebrated the Mentorship Kick-off of the 2nd generation of Future Leaders and Mentors. Each mentorship team shared their goals for the mentorship and officially signed the Mentorship Agreement that they co-developed for their mentoring partnership through June 2024.

Thank you to our generous donors for making this meaningful work and our exciting celebration events possible.

In our July newsletter we'll share more details about this event, our Future Leaders and Mentors, and what's next for them and for the program.

This is a very exciting time.



We're grateful for the **partnership with Dr. Rob Emmerling, Director and Co-Chair of CREIO** (Consortium for Research on Emotional Intelligence in Organizations) **and Adam Ben-Hanania, organizational psychology PhD student at Rutgers University** as they help us assess our impact, identify areas of strength and recommend opportunities for growth.

This summer we will name our new **Future Leaders Academy Council** comprising Future Leaders, Mentors and community partners dedicated to helping us learn, grow and inspire in new ways with each generation of Future Leaders that joins the program each January.



In just a month from now, in July, we'll open the application portal for the **2024-2025 Future Leaders Academy**.

Please be sure to reach out to me with your ideas, hopes and dreams for how we can make ever more impact this year and beyond!

- Brian Hammer, PhD, Executive Director

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