

# FACT SHEET

## Mission

Assisting homeless, low-income, and other disadvantaged individuals in their efforts to become self-sufficient through quality employment.

## History

In 1988, the Andre House created St. Joseph the Worker (SJW) in response to a humble plea from homeless individuals receiving dinner in the park: "We want jobs, but we don't have the tools." Since then, SJW has focused solely on empowering men and women who are truly "down and out" to transform their lives through employment. SJW is a non-profit organization that is 100% privately funded.



Despite the odds, we witness success every day.

Josh came to SJW for a fresh start. He has since gained long-term employment in the plumbing & pipefitting trade. This is his story.

"I just wanted to take a moment to thank everyone at St. Joseph the Worker. I'm not from Arizona. I don't have any support here. I found a great job here doing pipefitting, but I started worrying because I didn't have money for work clothes, tools, or transportation to work. I started thinking I was going to have to tell the company I couldn't take the job. Then somebody told me about SJW. With their help I was able to have work clothes, tools, and transportation. This program has helped me get my life back on track and it has helped me feed my kids and wife by providing me with the essentials needed to maintain gainful employment. Once again, thank you. I couldn't have done it without your help."

- Josh E. -



St. Joseph the Worker distributed 8,877 public transit passes this past fiscal year.

## Issue

**37,404**

Homeless adults and children living in shelters, cars, unsafe buildings, or on the street in Arizona.  
(Dept. of Economic Security)

**1.22M**

Arizonans experiencing poverty, which is equivalent to nearly 1 in 5 people.  
(U.S. Census Bureau)

## Impact

**2,906**

Individuals gained employment after struggling with homelessness and poverty.

**70M**

In annual wages that are invested back in Maricopa county's economy.

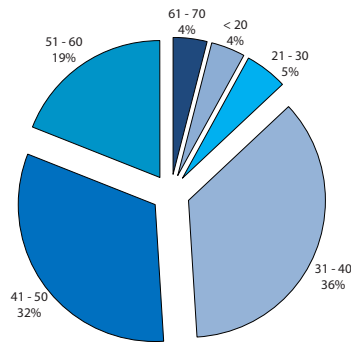
# FY 2017/2018 SUCCESS

St. Joseph the Worker assisted **2,906** individuals in their efforts to secure quality employment

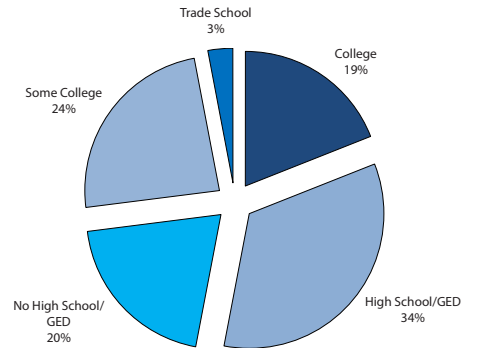
The average starting wage for full-time employment was **\$11.66**

**61%** of the positions offered benefits after 90 days

## Age of Participants



## Education of Participants



### Expanding Our Services

*Dress for Success Phoenix* and *SJW* have come together to outfit unemployed or underemployed men with a quality wardrobe for their job search. We're *suiting up* to offer dignity, create empowerment, and change lives.

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## CLIENT SERVICES

### Job Readiness

Help to prepare a resume or job application, mock interviews, personal presentation and communication tips, how to effectively explain a criminal history or large gap in employment, and building confidence.

### Job Search

Address and phone number for messages, internet access to job search and submit applications, clothing that is clean, neat and professional, basic hygiene items, and daily bus passes to ensure transportation to and from interviews.

### Employment Support

Reduced monthly bus passes to ensure transportation, financial assistance to pay for work uniforms or shoes, help securing certification or license fees, and assistance for individuals in low-income or part-time employment in locating a higher paying job.

SJW recognizes that not everyone needs all services. Clients work closely with their Employment Specialist to determine what level of service is right for them.

### Connect With Us

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