



Inspiring and preparing youth to succeed through goal setting, mentoring, and scholarship programs.

The Home of RARE Everyday Heroes

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### JOIN US ON FACEBOOK

Help support Winning Futures by joining our [Cause](#) page, becoming a member of our [Fan Page](#), and past students can stay involved by joining the Winning Futures [Alumni](#) group.

#### TICKETS ON SALE

The 3rd Annual [Corks and Forks](#) Wine Tasting Event on **November 12<sup>th</sup>** at The Reserve at Big Rock Chop House in Birmingham.

**BUY SOON - WE SOLD OUT LAST YEAR!**

#### WINNING FUTURES ALUMNI

Join us on August 24<sup>th</sup> at Blackfinn in Royal Oak from 5-7 for our Alumni Happy Hour. Complimentary appetizers and cash bar. For more information click [here](#).

#### BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



**Erik Law** currently manages and operates **SEE-J Building Service**



Click [here](#) to watch this great news coverage on WXYZ Channel 7 (ABC) about our summer basketball camp with past **Detroit Piston Greg Kelser**.

### Become a Mentor



If you are motivated to help youth in your community and are willing to make the commitment, you can mentor! As a mentor, you **work with two or three** students for one hour during the school day. The structured mentoring curriculum guides you in helping students identify their character values, set goals, explore careers, build employability skills, and prepare for their future through fun

activities.

**We are currently seeking mentors for our Birmingham, Detroit, Harper Woods, Pontiac, and Warren programs.**

Click [here](#) to complete your mentor application today...one hour a week DOES make a difference!

### Bowling Benefit for Winning Futures

**NAIFA GREATER DETROIT / Young Advisors Team**

**CHARITY BOWLING EVENT to benefit Winning Futures**



<b>Time</b>	Wednesday, August 31 · 6:00pm - 9:00pm
<b>Location</b>	Hartfield Lanes

**Contractor** a franchise janitorial company. Erik established his business while working for Chrysler; his leadership skills were very evident with his rise within the labor ranks to Sgt-At-Arms. He utilized his labor education to help propel his entrepreneur spirit and after 16 yrs in the auto industry opted to explore entrepreneurship full-time. Mr. Law has continued to expand his entrepreneur endeavors and formed a real estate investment partnership, **B.I.M. Investments.**

3490 W. 12 Mile Road

Berkley, MI

**More Info**

Cost will be \$25 per player or \$100 per lane (5 players)  
(One check or credit card charge must be received for lane discount)  
Entry Fees Include: 2 games; shoes; 2 slices of pizza, pop for each bowler and a pitcher of beer for each lane. Click [here](#) for more info.

## RARE Night of Heroes

This year, **\$25K in scholarships** was given to **10 high school seniors** and 11 Michigan citizens were honored with the RARE Everyday Hero Award at the annual “Night of Heroes” event. Our RARE



Everyday Hero Program, founded by Gil Cox, is dedicated to inspiring Michigan's youth through Everyday Heroes. The prestigious award celebrates the lives of everyday people in the workplace who through extraordinary commitment, courage, compassion, and integrity are changing lives and inspiring others.

Congratulations again to:

- Anthony Colucci - Henry Ford Macomb Hospital, Detroit Red Wings
- Marsha Hoppe - Marsha's Beauty Salon
- Jeff Grysen - Ottawa County Sheriff Department
- Larry Ritsema - The Challenge Machinery Company
- Janet Beattie - Brian's House
- Marvin Lucas - The Way of Holiness C.O.G.I.C
- Patricia Sahakian - Washtenaw Technical Middle College
- Jim Braid - Orchard United Methodist Church
- Jaime Bellos - Center Line High School
- Philip Kerbawy - Blissfield High School

## Shoot for your Goals Basketball Camp a Success



For the first time, Winning Futures collaborated with **Gregory Kelser** for his basketball camp to work with eighth-grade boys and girls enrolled in the program in Shoot for your Goals sessions to help them set goals, enhance teamwork and attitude, and prepare for ninth grade.

**Powerlink** and its Detroit partner **Sodexo** funded the camp and Shoot for your Goals program, [investing](#) more than \$25,000 into the camp and creating a partnership for Winning Futures with Greg Kelser. The camp provided 79 eighth-graders from **Detroit Public Schools** with the opportunity to work directly with Kelser to improve their basketball skills while stressing the importance of education through the Winning Futures life skills and mentoring sessions. Volunteers at the event included 12 Powerlink employees, including Link Howard, president and CEO and Scott Rice, chief operating officer, and 55 additional volunteers. 100% of the students set an academic goal during the program for their ninth-grade school year and mapped their way to achieving that goal. In addition, the company recently sponsored the Winning Futures Golf for Kids Classic and its Corks & Forks events adding another \$2,500 in contributions to Winning Futures.

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