

<<Applause as community partners turn dirt.>>

ADVANCING ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT...

BY TURNING NEIGHBORHOODS...

INTO BETTER PLACES TO LIVE AND WORK.

<<Women operating construction equipment.>>

SUPPORTING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE READINESS...

BY GIVING PEOPLE...

THE TOOLS THEY NEED...

TO SUCCEED IN THE WORKPLACE.

<<Reality Check instruction at Regions Tradition.>>

AND INCREASING FINANCIAL WELLNESS...

BY HELPING PEOPLE...

AT ANY AGE...

SET MONEY GOALS...

AND TAKE STEPS TO ACHIEVE THEM.

THESE ARE CORNERSTONE ELEMENTS OF HEALTHY
COMMUNITIES...

WHERE ALL PEOPLE BENEFIT FROM A WEALTH OF
OPPORTUNITIES...

BUILT UPON A STRONG ECONOMIC FOUNDATION.

Leroy Abrahams: *“At the Regions Foundation, we are continually seeking ways to collaborate with nonprofit organizations that are bringing about life-changing results for under-resourced people in the communities we serve every day.*

We intentionally invest our resources in programs that strengthen the impact of our community partners.

We believe this is a worthy mission and a tremendous privilege.”

THE REGIONS FOUNDATION IS

A NONPROFIT FUNDED PRIMARILY BY REGIONS BANK –

THAT STARTED IN 2018.

SINCE THEN, THE FOUNDATION HAS WORKED TO REMOVE
BARRIERS TO SUCCESS...

AND LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD...

ACROSS...

THE SOUTHEAST,

THE MIDWEST,

AND TEXAS...

THE REGIONS FOUNDATION...

INVITES ORGANIZATIONS...

TO APPLY FOR GRANTS...

THAT SUPPORT THOSE “CORNERSTONE ELEMENTS.”

SO FAR, THE FOUNDATION HAS INVESTED TENS OF MILLIONS OF
DOLLARS IN WORTHY CAUSES.

Marta Self/Regions Foundation Executive Director: *“When we support a workforce program, we’re helping someone “level up” to earn a living wage.*

When we support affordable housing, we're

When we provide funding for entrepreneurs, we're helping to keep the economic lifeblood of the community flowing."

LIKE IN ATLANTA ...

WHERE THE REGIONS FOUNDATION SUPPORTS "START:ME,"

WHICH STANDS FOR

START UP *MICRO*-*ENTERPRISE*.

THIS PROGRAM HAS HELPED...

MORE THAN 4-HUNDRED ENTREPRENEURS ...

Doris Mukangu/Start:ME Graduate: "I came across these women who are coming to a new country and are trying to figure out how to navigate the workspace and get a job."

WITH START:ME'S HELP,

DORIS MUKANGU FOUNDED...

AMANI WOMEN CENTER...

TO TEACH REFUGEES HOW TO SEW...

AND CRAFT A SOCIAL ENTERPRISE...

AS THEY LEARN.

Erick Mack/Start:ME Graduate: "We have Astor, Astor blue bayou."

ERICK MACK...

PLANTED KAI GARDEN...

IN HIS BACK YARD

TO HEAL FROM THE LOSS

OF HIS BABY SON...

THANKS TO START:ME --

ERIC IS NOW A *BLOOMING*

GROWER AND SELLER

OF RARE PLANTS.

Jeanette Katz/Start:ME Graduate: "A pupusa is the national dish of El Salvador. It's a corn stuffed tortilla made by hand., eaten by hand. It can be filled pretty much with anything you want."

FOR KEN AND JEANETTE KATZ...

START:ME INGREDIENTS...

PROVIDED JUST THE RIGHT...

SIZZLE...

FOR LA BODEGA TO BECOME...

THEE GO-TO SPOT...

FOR ONE TASTY...

CENTRAL AMERICAN TREAT.

START:ME PARTICIPANTS GO THROUGH

A 3-MONTH, INTENSIVE COHORT...

WHERE THEY GAIN...

KNOWLEDGE, NETWORKS, AND CAPITAL

FOR THEIR SMALL BUSINESSES.

IT ALL ENDS WITH A PITCH NIGHT COMPETITION...
TO WIN SEED GRANTS...
THAT ARE FUNDED BY THE *REGIONS FOUNDATION*...
AND OTHER COMMUNITY PARTNERS.

Brian Goebel/Director, Start:ME: *“Inclusive prosperity is something that I think is a shared value and goal of both start me and the Regions Foundation and together you know we First off believe that talented entrepreneurs are everywhere, and opportunity is not.”*

“And so, we're hopeful that we can continue to work in the neighborhoods that we've been in for many, many years along with adding new communities throughout Atlanta.”

Leroy Abrahams: *It is our goal that support from the Regions Foundation will help to significantly improve outcomes, as more people have opportunities to grow, thrive, and benefit from economic success in the communities we serve.”*

Marta Self: *It gives my heart joy to see a mother receive a degree because she knows she can provide a better life for her children;*

or a couple confidently pivot their small business because they see that the demand for their product has changed;

or a family realize the future is now to fulfill their homeownership dream.

To know the Regions Foundation has a role in making all these things possible, is what motivates us every day.”