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JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF CENTRAL MARYLAND INTRODUCES STUDENTS TO NEW CAREERS

Junior Achievement of Central Maryland launched JA Inspire, its first annual interactive career exploration experience, on Oct. 18 at the Timonium Fairgrounds.

The event welcomed 3,000 Baltimore County middle school students to explore high-growth careers with more than 50 area employers, including Aerotek, General Motors, Southwest Airlines, T. Rowe Price Group Inc. and many more. Students connected with professionals, discovered career opportunities and learned about necessary skills and education requirements for local in-demand jobs.

At the event, Jennifer Bodensiek, CEO of JA of Central Maryland, announced the creation of the organization's new interactive career portal, the JA Career Pathfinder, which was developed with funding support from the Allegis Group. The technology will be implemented in classrooms across Maryland as a followup activity to help students explore careers and educational pathways available in the region.

- Susan Hahn, program specialist, Office of Family and Community Engagement, Baltimore County Public Schools; Deborah Phelps, executive director, Education Foundation of Baltimore County Public Schools; and Kaitlin Bowman, vice president of strategic partnerships, Junior Achievement of Central Maryland
- 2. Kelly M. Schulz, secretary, Maryland Department of Commerce; Tom Sadowski, vice chancellor of economic development, University System of Maryland; and Jennifer Bodensiek, president and CEO, Junior Achievement of Central Maryland
- 3. From T. Rowe Price Group Inc.: Samantha Sebanakitta, talent acquisition coordinator; Hana Tankersley, production support programmer analyst; Katie Vicino, talent acquisition coordinator; Chris Marshall, business, product and delivery senior manager





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SC&H GROUP HOSTS 'MANUFACTURING A Smarter Future' Panel Discussion

SC&H Group partnered with the Maryland Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MD MEP) to host its popular "Manufacturing a Smarter Future: Innovation on a Budget" series on Oct. 23 at the Mt. Washington Mill Dye House in Baltimore. The event featured a panel consisting of Mike Kelleher, president, Maryland MEP; Mick Arnold, CEO, Arnold Packaging; Scott Foreman, president, Baltimore Fabrication; and Jeff Bathurst, director of technology advisory services at SC&H Group. The panel discussed how budgeting for innovation is shaping up to be one of the biggest challenges facing business leaders today.



- 1. Mick Arnold, Arnold Packaging; Mike Kelleher, Maryland MEP; Jim Ries, Offit Kurman; and Kevin Taylor, Baltimore Fabrication
- 2. AJ Wineke, Blackpoint Cyber; Chad Schneider, Root3 Labs; and Kris Shock, Maryland Department of Commerce 3. Roberto Reside, TIC Gums, and Jillian Margiotta, Barcoding Inc.





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MARYLAND FOOD BANK PACKS Meal Boxes for Needy Families

The Maryland Food Bank hosted a "Pack to Give Back" event at its Baltimore warehouse on Nov. 1. Volunteers from some of Greater Baltimore's largest businesses — including Baltimore Gas and Electric Co., Transamerica, M&T Bank and the Baltimore Orioles packed thousands of meal boxes containing traditional holiday fixings like cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes and stuffing. The cost of items within the meal boxes was underwritten by sponsors, including BGE and Transamerica. Each box is paired with a turkey made possible with public donations from the Baltimore Orioles Food & Funds Drive.

Thousands of volunteers came to the Maryland Food Bank warehouse in Baltimore to prepare boxes of holidays meals for families in need.