

# SOLVING FLORIDA'S HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUT PROBLEM

With the Help of Florida Public Libraries

FL Dropouts Age 25+  
**2.7+ MILLION**<sup>1</sup>



High School Dropouts Are More Likely To<sup>2</sup>



Live in Poverty



Be Unemployed



Go to Prison



Be a Burden on  
Taxpayers

PER 1,000 GRADUATES



**\$200+ MILLION**

HIGHER TAX REVENUE; LESS GOVERNMENT SPENDING<sup>3</sup>

**800+**

NEW POSTSECONDARY STUDENTS<sup>4</sup>



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# WORKFORCE-BASED ONLINE ADULT HIGH SCHOOL

Florida Public Libraries Deliver High School Graduates



Scholarship Program Offered In:  
**28 FL LIBRARIES**



## THE RESULTS



**100+ Graduates +50 More to Graduate by May 2017**

**\$31 MILLION**  
ADDITIONAL TAX REVENUE<sup>3</sup>

**81%**

OF

**Graduates Plan to Go to College<sup>4</sup>**



<sup>1</sup>U.S. Census Bureau, 2017

<sup>2</sup>World Education Organization, [www.worldeid.org/WEIInternet/us/adult-ed-facts.cfm](http://www.worldeid.org/WEIInternet/us/adult-ed-facts.cfm)

<sup>3</sup>The Alliance for Excellent Education

<sup>4</sup>Smart Horizons Career Online Education, graduate exit surveys, 2009-2016

