



# 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

## BUILD



### HIGHLANDER ACCELERATOR

Seventy Five North and its partners, Hardy Coffee Co., Creighton University at Highlander, Metropolitan Community College – North Express, and The Venue all opened for business in February.

### RESIDENTIAL UNITS

We completed construction on 101 mixed-income rental homes made-up of 17 row-houses, 10 townhomes and 74 apartment homes. We reached 100% occupancy and have a waitlist of 300 families.

### SWIMMING POOL + PLAYGROUND

The neighborhood swimming pool and playground opened for play in June. Both were a big hit with families!

### OMAHA EARLY LEARNING CENTER AT KENNEDY

Construction began on the 50,000 SF center designed to serve children six-weeks to pre-kindergarten.

### BUS SHELTERS + BIKE SHARING

Omaha Metro installed two solar powered bus shelters and Heartland B-Cycle installed a bike share station to encourage multi-modal transportation.



## ARCHITECT MAGAZINE — HONORED TO HAVE MADE THE FRONT COVER!



**30** Children and adults participated in free, onsite swim lessons

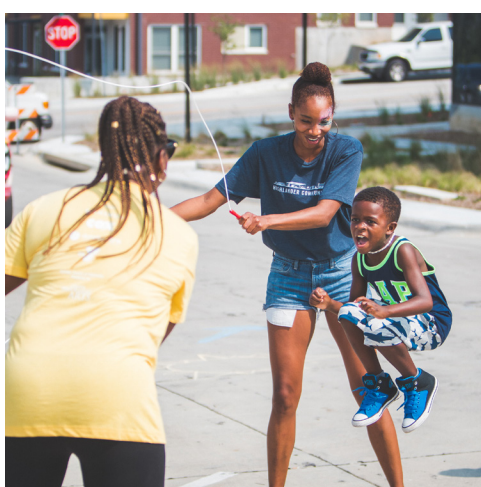
**23** Entrepreneurs supported at Highlander Marketplace – a neighborhood market

**3** Youth educational programs focused on arts offered in partnership with Omaha Performing Arts, Omaha Conservatory of Music, and Omaha Community Playhouse

**28** Outdoor group fitness classes on Highlander Community Lawn

**1** Outdoor movie night showing Marvel's Black Panther - more to come in 2019

**4** Sessions of garden club hosted in partnership with The Big Garden



### HIGHLANDER COMMUNITY DAY

Our first annual community celebration highlighted Highlander's new housing developments and Accelerator building.

The day-long event provided an opportunity for community members to visit Highlander Accelerator, take guided tours of the neighborhood, grub on food from Big Mama's and Pico, and enjoy a nighttime concert with fireworks.

### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

On August 7, neighborhoods across the country came together to build relationships between community and law enforcement.

Highlander hosted a community block party that included food, activities with police officers and firefighters, live music and face painting.

# EDUCATION

- 15 high school students spent their summer vacation attending Highlander Code Camp, a 7-week web development program, in partnership with AIM Institute.
- 33 students aged 18-24 received full scholarships to attend AIM Interface Code School: Highlander, a more robust web development program for young adults.

## HOWARD KENNEDY ELEMENTARY

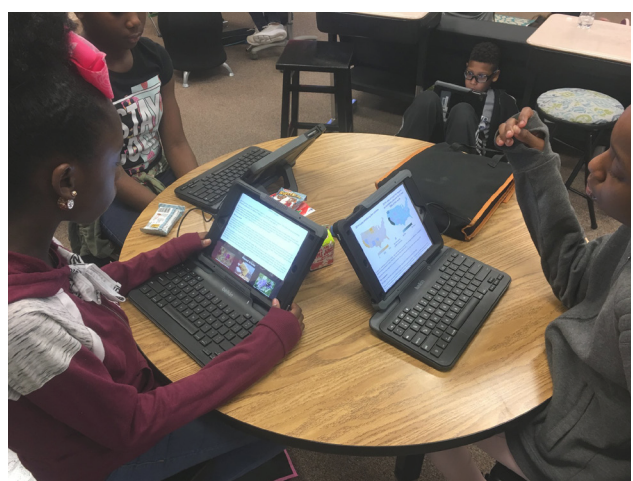
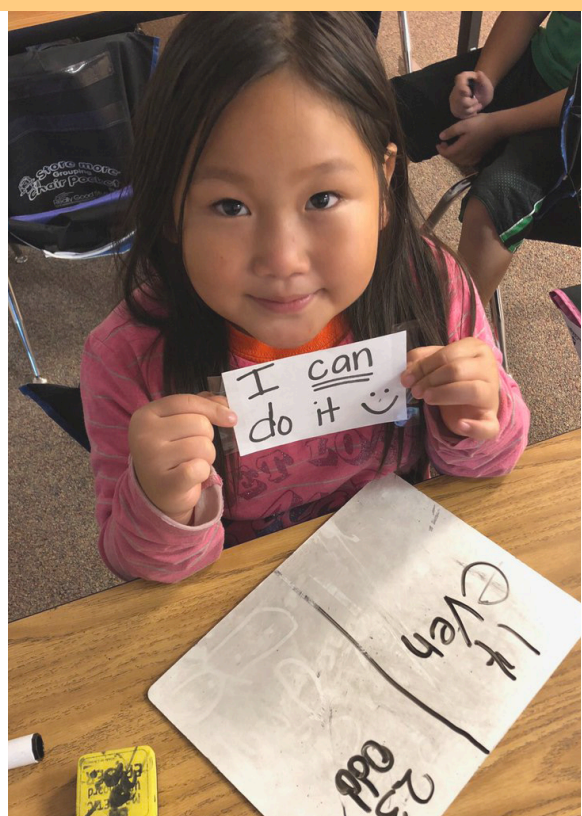
The 2018-19 school year marked Howard Kennedy's third year of reconstitution. Below are examples of academic progress in the 2016-17 school year.

### LITERACY

- 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th graders averaged 6% growth in test scores
- 2nd graders meeting or exceeding test scores increased by 21%

### MATH

- 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th graders averaged 9.5% growth in test scores
- 2nd graders meeting or exceeding state standards increased by 39%
- 5th graders meeting or exceeding state standards increased by 17%



# ORGANIZATION



- Our staff moved into a new office in Highlander Accelerator
- Highlander official ribbon cutting at Stakeholder Appreciation Reception
- 53 tours given of the Highlander neighborhood
- 4 new hires – one administrative assistant, two interns, and one graduate fellow

# WHAT'S NEXT IN 2019

- **Dining Room** will be a small-scale food hall that will open in 2019. Big Mama's Kitchen will be the anchor tenant alongside two additional restaurant concepts.
- **Nobility Point** will be a 60-unit senior living building for independent living.
- **Home Ownership** will include a mix of single-family homes and townhouse style offerings.
- Partnerships with **local developers** to increase residential offerings and neighborhood amenities.
- **The Connect** will be a community technology lab and meeting space in partnership with Cox Business. It will house educational and technology focused classes located on the first floor of Highlander Accelerator.