# MENTOR WALKS IMPACT REPORT 2020



Mentor Walks is having a direct and measurable impact on **employment opportunities.** Women are being hired and hiring as a result of Mentor Walks. They are also taking significant career steps and **developing as leaders.** During COVID-19, the program is also keeping women connected to the workforce and having an important impact on **mental health.** 

3338

WOMEN HAVE PARTICIPATED

130

**EVENTS HELD** 

**22 MILLION** 

STEPS TAKEN



**MENTEE** 

"I discovered my issues are common which I didn't think was the case."

**MENTEE** 

"Mentor Walks exposes me to other ideas and takes me out of my bubble."

## IMPACT ON EMPLOYMENT

Independent research by Leapfrog\* found that nearly

**50**%

OF MENTEES REPORT POSITIVE EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES AS A RESULT OF PARTICIPATING IN MENTOR WALKS.

This includes securing a new job, a promotion, a raise, or hiring new staff.

OF 392 PEOPLE SURVEYED

35 JOBS WERE CREATED

Of a research sample of 392 participants (261 mentees and 131 mentors),

35 JOBS WERE CREATED AS A DIRECT RESULT OF ATTENDING MENTOR WALKS (8.9%).

A further 10 mentees gained employment as an indirect result of Mentor Walks.

**10% OF MENTEES** 

are considering starting their own business.

1 IN 4 MENTEES

have been introduced to new contacts who have or can help their career.

# **IMPACT ON WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP**

23%

OF MENTEES HAVE TAKEN A SIGNIFICANT CAREER STEP SINCE PARTICIPATING IN MENTOR WALKS. Of these, 33% said Mentor Walks was an important factor.

4.9% SECURED A NEW JOB

3.8%
SECURED A
PROMOTION OR
LEADERSHIP ROLE

2.7% SECURED A BONUS OR PAY RISE



#### MENTEE

"I've been pretty flat all week but Mentor Walks was a great spark and reminder to keep going. Mentor Walks is so needed right now."

#### **MENTEE**

"In a city like Dubbo, a lot of jobs are acquired through connections.

By knowing the mentees who are out there, as well as people hiring, I can have a role in connecting people to jobs."

#### **MENTEE**

"Mentor Walks
gets you connected
to the right people
who can help you
in achieving career
goals. Thank you
Mentor Walks! Truly
life-changing"

### MENTAL HEALTH AND CONNECTION

Mentor Walks is also keeping women positive and connected to the workforce during a time of increasing unemployment and underemployment.

A large proportion of mentees have experienced social disconnection due to **COVID-19**, including 1/3 negatively affected in building networks that can help them and 1/4 who report their mental health and wellbeing as negatively affected.

89%

OF PARTICIPANTS FEEL MORE OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE FUTURE AS A RESULT OF MENTOR WALKS

**83**%

SAY MENTOR WALKS HAS POSITIVELY IMPACTED THEIR CONFIDENCE AND SELF-ESTEEM

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