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Good deed of the day:

Pay it forward: next time you are ordering your coffee or food in a drive thru, ask to pay for the person behind you to help brighten their day and inspire them to pay it forward too.

LET'S CELEBRATE THE RICH AND DIVERSE CULTURE, TRADITIONS, AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF NATIVE AMERICANS.



November: Native American Heritage Month

This November we are honoring National Native American Heritage Month by educating ourselves on American Indian history. Our employees joined us for a workshop on why it is important to celebrate, honor, and educate ourselves on native culture and history. It is often said that history is written by the victors and this workshop brought some productive discussions about what our education and media surrounding native history often times leave out of the story. Today there are still many issues that these communities face, 33% of all Native Americans live in poverty, 46% of women have experienced physical abuse, the average high school retention rate is 74% compared to the national average of 86%. The CDC has released information showing that the impact of COVID-19 in these communities is much stronger because of racial inequity and historical trauma that have caused disparities in health and socioeconomic factors. This is the motivation behind Global's donation to support the Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health. Their work helps to provide resources and programs for over 130 tribal communities across the country in behavioral health, COVID-19 relief, education, and infectious disease prevention.

2022-23 Global Scholarship



This year we are continuing our scholarship program to support students pursuing higher education in the 2022-23 academic school year. When individuals have greater access to education, the results are boundless in terms of creativity, conflict resolution, and critical thinking. The student loan debt crisis inhibits individuals from excelling to their highest possibilities, here at Global we want to take a step to alleviate some of that burden.

Apply to our scholarship program to be considered for an award of \$2,500. There will be two recipients of this scholarship with a total of \$5,000 awarded. Applicants do not have to be associated with Global to be considered, it is the strength of your application that will be most considered. A volunteer committee of Global employees will work together to vote for the winners of the scholarship.

Please share [this application link](#) with a student in your life that is looking for support for the next academic year to achieve their educational goals. The application opened November 1st and will close on April 1st.

The First Global Board Meeting

After some time of preparation and coordination, the new Global Board had its first meeting on November 15th. Our board members include Chairman Felix Villa II, Vice Chairman Alexis Mordawski, Secretary Tim Mustafa, Treasurer Felix Villa, Committee Chair Nathiely Navar, and Board Member Mike McGuire.

As we look to the future of our company it is going to be vital to have the framework in place for continued growth. We have created this board to implement a formal process for making strategic decisions on behalf of the company. Global is always thinking of what is to come next and is excited to utilize this board to its fullest potential.

Global Spotlight: Alejandra Prieto

This month we are putting the spotlight on Alejandra Prieto our Operations Manager. Alejandra joined Global just over 5 years ago in August of 2016. She is originally from Maracaibo, Venezuela where she studied business and accounting. The skills Alejandra has brought to our team are invaluable and we are so thankful for her contributions here at Global.

Alejandra is most passionate about her first job, being a mom. Moving to the U.S. with her three children to care for all by herself was no easy feat, she has endured many challenges to get to where she is today.

As our Operations Manager Alejandra is a vital part of our everyday business. A normal week for her includes looking at a never-ending stream of purchase orders and following up with transportation appointments. During this current supply chain crisis, her job is especially key to keeping business flowing. Alejandra explained that if the product doesn't arrive then we can't sell it, so her tracking of orders is important to keep the business making a profit. Another task Alejandra handles is the billing for the company, she follows up with vendors to ensure the processing of their checks. Although purchase orders take up most of her time, her favorite part of the job is after she follows up and everything materializes. When the products do finally arrive she can see how her work makes a difference and finds it satisfying to be able to pass the baton over to the sales team to take it from there.

At Global, we often refer to Alejandra as the Queen of Operations and we are thankful to have her as part of our team. This past Thanksgiving was Alejandra's birthday! We wish her the happiest of birthdays and that she has another year full of great health, happiness, adventures, and prosperity.



"When I joined Global, I didn't have any idea about the food business because my background was in the oil and energy industry. I was super nervous and still in the adjustment period as an immigrant with a lot of moving parts in my life. Global gave me the opportunity to be part of a team and I appreciate that. Global bet on me, I bet on Global, and here we are 5 years later."

Fun Facts

- If Alejandra could be any animal she would choose a wild horse to be strong, fast, and run free.
- Alejandra loves interior design and has a knack for finding secondhand furniture. She loves discovering unique pieces that pull a room together.
- As a kid, Alejandra's favorite activity was climbing trees and hanging out in them.
- The best meal Alejandra has ever had was fondue with bread and meats in Geneva, Switzerland.
- At her first wedding, both she and her first husband wore skirts, in Scottish tradition he rocked a kilt at the alter.
- When she was young, Alejandra wanted to grow up to be a Pathologist after losing her leg to Gangrene. She wanted to learn how to find the cause of diseases and explore the science behind their effects.