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To Whom It May Concern in re Sr Helen M Spengler OSM Endowment and OAEF Grants Funds,

We are so grateful for the generosity of the donors to these funds for the opportunity to send our team and some students to the Global Leadership Summit August 3-4, 2023. The entire program was enlightening, and we wanted to share a few key thoughts from the attendees and how GLS will help us in furthering our mission.

“When reflecting on goal setting for each area of my job, looking for the way to improve it by 1% each time I come around to it. This has really helped me when mapping out the year and recognizing the things that are cyclical, in defining small and manageable improvements that I can make over time in order to meet ambitious goals in the long run.”

“Reflecting on the way to make sure the space is shaped to encourage the type of activity you’d like to see. I think this has helped with some of the programming we’ve implemented this year, and it has sparked some thoughts about signage and marketing within our space that I’m currently working to improve. “

“One speaker spoke about meaningful connection and relationships in our current moment with some great insights about the effect that isolation and loneliness is having on the population that we serve, and the importance of providing them with opportunities to form connections in person. It underlined the importance of our mission and the way we’re approaching community here.”

“One takeaway from GLS 2023 is habits can break you down or build you up. We need to align our desired outcomes with our daily habits. Every action or habit is a vote to the person you are.”



Picture of our team at GLS 2023

Again, our thanks for supporting our growth as we further the mission of the St John Paul II Newman Center. The better we get, the more students we can serve and bring to Jesus.

In Christ,

The Staff at JP II Newman