# CSR IMPACT REPORT

**JANUARY - JUNE 2022** 

Our UK staff are proud to have given their time and skills to support our local community through a wide variety of volunteering initiatives, as well as fundraising for our UK charity partners.





**Supporting** 

253

43

employees took part in CSR activities

928

individuals organisations

"I think it's important for individuals to understand how charities work and the challenges they face. I'm glad I could help, but equally, I'm glad I've gained some insight into this as well." Societe

Generale volunteer

Our CSR strategy increases employment opportunities for women and individuals from diverse and disadvantaged backgrounds.

"The team provided invaluable feedback and support. They were exceptionally patient and available to support me with whatever I needed. The feedback they gave me was truly helpful and constructive."

Community participant



#### Of those 253 individuals

**34%**were from ethnically diverse backgrounds

44%

22%

were women were from disadvantaged backgrounds

## The difference we made\*

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10

43

people are now employed

are in education, training, work experience or volunteering roles people got a job interview or promotion

48%

reported increased employability skills and confidence in those skills





"I didn't feel quite ready to return to full time employment but the supportive and structured nature of the GROW scheme appealed to me... Without it, I don't know if I would have survived myself and my own insecurities; thank you Societe Generale and thank you Shelter." Shelter GROW trainee



\*Based on the beneficiaries who completed the feedback.

# YOUNG INFLUENCERS PROGRAMME

# YEAR ONE IMPACT REPORT - 2021/2022

Our new flagship programme aims to equip 16–18-year-olds with the skills needed to build a successful career and make a positive impact.

88

Students from
East London took
part, of which\*



were from 54% ethnically diverse backgrounds

**45%** were women

were from disadvantaged backgrounds



The Pitch Day judging panel and winning team who put forward a solution to knife crime in Newham.

The programme, supported by **146** employee volunteers, consisted of three stages:

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The six-part

Workshop Series

with Societe Generale volunteer mentors. Students devised a solution to a community issue.

Students developed skills & discovered the world of Financial Services and its positive social impact potential.

Nine finalist teams attended the **Pitch Day** 

to present their ideas to a judging panel.

The students are invited to apply for a paid, eight-week

Work **Experience** 

opportunity at Societe Generale.



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school leavers on placement Jul-Aug 2022

### The difference we made\*

"I thought careers in financial services were only about money but there are roles that are creatively stimulating and helpful to society."

Student participant

80%

of students reported increased awareness of different roles in the financial sector

**75%** 

of teachers reported increases in students' confidence in their employability skills

### 77%

of students felt the programme increased their teamworking and ability to aim higher

– key skills from the Skills Builder Framework: "[I] learnt to take
[a] crisis as an
opportunity and
accept failures in
order to innovate."
Student
participant



\*Based on the students who completed the feedback.