OUR MISSION:

Founded in 1987, the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation (NRAEF) is dedicated to providing people from all backgrounds the training, education, financial resources and career development they need to build pathways to meaningful jobs and careers in the restaurant and foodservice industry. The Foundation and its supporters share a mission to attract, empower and advance today's and tomorrow's restaurant and foodservice leaders.

OUR COMMITMENT:

Through its portfolio of industry-leading programs, the NRAEF has pledged to train and prepare more than 370,000 people for meaningful jobs and careers in the restaurant and foodservice industry over the next five years. Each program provides exploration, career mapping and training toward a broad spectrum of competencies and skills essential for the industry to grow its workforce from 14.6 million to 16.3 million by 2027.

WE HONOR EXCELLENCE:

Each year, the NRAEF celebrates excellence in diversity, community service and industry leadership with its prestigious Faces of Diversity, Restaurant Neighbor and Ambassador of Hospitality Awards. In addition, the members of the Foundation’s Civilian Military Travelers program visit military bases around the world to assist the military in evaluating culinary management, culminating in annual awards for the best military foodservice operations.

GET INVOLVED:

All NRAEF programs and events rely on the support of businesses, organizations and individuals from across the industry. Please help support the work of the Foundation through financial donations, partnerships, event sponsorships, in-kind donations and mentoring. To get involved, visit ChooseRestaurants.org/Donate.
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