



# Our Community<sup>®</sup>

*Our Community* explores the interdependent roles of workers in a community, the work they perform, and how communities work.

Following participation in the program, students will be able to:

- Identify a variety of jobs in a community.
- Make informed decisions.
- Recognize how money flows through a community's economy.

## Session Titles and Summaries

### Session One: How Does a Community Work?

Students study a poster illustrating a community to identify typical jobs. They develop an awareness of how people live and work together in a typical city or town.

### Session Two: Sweet "O" Donuts

Students, individually and in groups, use different production strategies to simulate producing donuts for the Sweet "O" Donuts shop.

### Session Three: The Role of Government

Students learn about the economic role of government in a community by identifying services that government provides to citizens. Students also recognize that government must collect taxes to pay for these services.

### Session Four: A New Business

Students determine the best use for the empty store on the How Does a Community Work? poster. The step-by-step, decision-making process helps students understand how group decisions are made.

### Session Five: Money Moves

Students learn about an economy's circular flow of money and how it is exchanged for goods and services.

