



Center for Artificial Intelligence & the Future of Work

Partners and stakeholders across the ecosystem react to JFF's news

Jobs for the Future (JFF) is engaging with partners and stakeholders across the education and workforce ecosystem around the opportunities and challenges of AI, who shared the following comments:

Fernando Rodriguez-Villa, CEO and Co-Founder, AdeptID

“AI will shape the future of work by connecting people with quality jobs just as AI is transforming the nature of those jobs themselves. Ambitious goals, like JFF’s new 75-million-quality-job North Star, are only possible with the scalability and personalization that AI can provide, so we’re honored to be participating in this work with them. If AI can be built transparently and deployed responsibly, it has tremendous potential to make work safer, more rewarding, and more inclusive.”

Alex Kotran, CEO, aiEDU

“At aiEDU, we’ve seen firsthand the transformative power of AI in reshaping our society. Our collaboration with JFF has always been a testament to our shared mission. With the launch of their Center for Artificial Intelligence & the Future of Work, JFF is positioning itself at the forefront of leveraging AI to drive equitable economic mobility. We at aiEDU are excited about this initiative and look forward to deepening our partnership to ensure that the benefits of AI are accessible to all, laying the groundwork for a more balanced, AI-empowered future.”

David Ryan Polgar, Founder and Director, All Tech Is Human

“We need to bend the impact of AI towards equitable outcomes. That’s why All Tech Is Human is proud to collaborate with Jobs for the Future on its new Center for Artificial Intelligence & the Future of Work, driving the direction of AI toward a positive future with greater economic mobility and overall fairness. Our economic future is being determined by our technological decisions today, which is why our organization is excited to be part of this timely multistakeholder initiative.”

John Bailey, Nonresident Senior Fellow, American Enterprise Institute

“The future of work lies in harnessing the potential of artificial intelligence. By driving innovation, fostering inclusive growth, and championing economic mobility, JFF’s new Center for Artificial Intelligence & the Future of Work aims to shape a future where AI serves as a force for positive change, propelling us toward a more equitable and prosperous society.”

John Battelle, Owner, Battelle Media

“Critical to smart policy in AI is separating the signal from ever compounding noise. The technology's promise and its peril can best be managed by robust collaboration and deep understanding. JFF's network, convening power, and its action-oriented programs place it at the center of an increasingly critical economic dialog.”

Gelyn Watkins, CEO, Black in AI

“Black in AI is excited to partner in this work [with JFF Labs] to ensure that conversations around the impact of AI move beyond the current PR moment and that we are dedicating space to address the newfound challenges and opportunities that exist in advancing equitable economic futures in an AI-powered world.”

Hamoon Ekhtiari, CEO, FutureFit AI

“The future of work and AI are already inextricably linked—yet the question of whether its impact will be a positive one for workers is entirely dependent on the choices we make and JFF is uniquely positioned as the nation’s premier convening platform to help guide this effort in the right direction. As an organization squarely focused at the intersection of the future of work and AI, with a north star of equipping everyone with a Career Copilot, we are excited to work with JFF and the Center to bring intelligent, responsible, and transformative solutions to bear for those who need them most.”

Ellie Bertani, President and CEO, Gitlab Foundation

“The GitLab Foundation accelerates ways for people to gain skills and opportunities needed to increase their lifetime earnings. As a proud partner of JFF, we’re thrilled to see them launch this new investment to help address the many challenging facets of AI to help workers thrive. That is why we are also proud to announce our AI for Economic Opportunity grant fund that will coordinate with and benefit from JFF’s new Center. We know the future of work is being transformed by these technologies, and it will take a truly collective approach to realize the potential for AI to drive upward economic mobility.”

Brian Gonzalez, Executive Director, Global Government Affairs, Intel Corporation

“Intel is committed to democratizing AI so that everyone benefits with inclusive innovation, economic growth, and job creation globally in the AI-fueled world. Intel is proud to collaborate with JFF in understanding how U.S. jobs are getting reshaped with AI across industries. We congratulate JFF on the launch of this new Center for Artificial Intelligence and the Future of Work.”

Karin Kimbrough, Chief Economist, LinkedIn

“While we are in the early stages of change driven by AI, one thing we know is that the future is all about skills; skills that are unique to professionals as well as the skills where AI can help as our copilot. Now is the time for the professional community to come together, through organizations like JFF and their new Center for Artificial Intelligence & the Future of Work, to identify these changes and how we can all focus on accelerating to a skills-first mindset for employers, workers, educators, and learners alike. It’s in understanding which skills will emerge as most important for the future of work that will enable a more productive, efficient, and equitable economy.”

Taylor Shead, Founder and CEO, Stemuli

“AI has the capacity to revolutionize how we learn, work, and thrive in the 21st-century economy. Stemuli is thrilled to participate in this work because we recognize the urgency of addressing the inequities and barriers that hinder economic mobility starting in our K-12 systems and beyond. We believe that the JFF center holds immense potential to advance these aims, propelling us closer to a future where every individual has equal access to opportunities at every level of their educational journey. Through collaboration, we can combine our expertise in AI, education, and workforce development to develop cutting-edge solutions that bridge the skills gap and foster lifelong learning.”