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Joe Holberg Raises Over \$500,000 for Mayor of Chicago in First Fundraising Quarter

CHICAGO — Today, candidate for Chicago Mayor Joe Holberg announced that his campaign has raised over \$500,000 from over 250 donors since announcing his candidacy on October 1, 2025.

“I’m humbled and inspired by the support our campaign has received,” Holberg said. “I’m encouraged that there are so many ordinary Chicagoans who are frustrated with the political insiders who are not solving real problems nor making the city better. It’s clear people want a fresh perspective from an experienced entrepreneur, educator, and leader—not more of the status quo. We’re going to have the resources we need to take on the entrenched politicians who are holding Chicago back and limiting our city’s vast potential.”

Supporters of Holberg’s campaign are signing onto Joe’s platform:

- Turn our economic engine back on to encourage and support business growth
- Keep Chicago affordable by building more housing
- Balance the city’s budget without mortgaging our future
- Improve educational outcomes for all students across the city to prepare them for the jobs of the future.

“As a former teacher and Chicago-based job creator who grew up in a financially unstable household, I know how hard Chicagoans are working every day to make ends meet and to get ahead.” Holberg continued. “Chicago needs a mayor who understands how to make the city more affordable and to put people and families on track to reach their goals and dreams.”

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Joe Holberg has dedicated his life to serving others in roles via Americorps; as a math teacher on the West Side of Chicago; and at Google, where he built a computer science education platform for girls and underrepresented students that has been used by hundreds of CPS teachers and 10,000 CPS students as well as five million students globally.

As an entrepreneur, author, and educator, Joe spent 10 years founding and leading Spring, the nation's first financial wellness company. Spring helped thousands of Chicagoans from all walks of life—from teachers and baristas to software engineers and young professionals—work towards and achieve their financial goals. Joe lives in Lincoln Park with his wife and two children.