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Welcome to the 18th edition of the SPNHA Review that focuses on the excellent scholarship of five recent graduates. The theme of their scholarship includes employee skill development, workplace culture and wellness, and small-town economic development. While all of the graduate program faculty have impacted these students throughout their academic career, special recognition is due to Drs. Priscilla Kimboko and Salvatore Alaimo who worked with these students in their culminating class to develop these manuscripts. Additionally, special thanks to Dr. Huafang Li who, as SPNHA Review editor, preformed the work of shepherding these manuscripts through the review process and preparing them for publication. It is with mixed emotions that we say goodbye to Dr. Li who has accepted a faculty position at the University of Pittsburg. He has been a great asset to our philanthropy and nonprofit program and will be missed. At the same time, we wish him well in his position. Thanks as well to Dr. Neal Buckwalter who has served as SPNHA Review associate editor for several years.

Our school continues on its transition journey from SPNHA to SPNHTM to SCLD (School of Community Leadership and Development). During upcoming academic year, we will welcome the Professional Master of Social Innovation program to our school. Future editions of SPNHA Review will include manuscripts from Social Innovation graduates. As SCLD matures, we will likely rename this journal to reflect our joint identity of community leadership, development, and engagement.

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