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PCDIC and Partners Award Summer Youth Entrepreneurial Scholarships

Phoenix Community Development Investment Corporation (PCDIC), Arizona Call-A-Teen, GateWay Community College and Phoenix Workforce Connection awarded scholarships to 15 youth who recently completed college level courses on business ownership and business plan development.

Twenty-six youth age 16 to 23 completed a four-week program and learned about business ownership, work at a small business in Phoenix and how to write a business plan as a team. They presented their plan at a concluding ceremony for the chance to win a scholarship at an in-state accredited college or university. The diverse group included high school juniors, seniors, graduates, youth at risk, single parents, homeless and primary income earners for their families.

A \$1,000 scholarship, for each team member, was awarded to Haipei Chang, Connor Brookshire, Marisol Rosas, Giovanni Ramirez and Alberto Guzman for their “Gekko Servers LLC: Server Assistance with Graphic Design Component” plan.

\$750 scholarships, were awarded to Mathew Rose, Brandenn Arnold, Alyeshia Walton, Phillip Borrego and Maria Duran for their “We Run This: Community Based Organization/Center” plan.

Individual \$500 scholarships were awarded to Frank Villa, Caesar Velazquez, Luis Falcon, Angeles Avila and Marissa Galindo for their “Cutz with Attitude: Barber Shop” plan.

PCDIC assists in the economic revitalization of the underserved community by creating new jobs, enhancing Phoenix’s commercial, retail and industrial development, and financing small businesses. For more information about PCDIC, visit phoenixnewmarkets.org or call 602-262-5040.

Contra Costa County Helps Teens To Find Jobs

May 13, 2009, 6:46 p.m. PT

The Contra Costa County Workforce Development Board is placing young people in jobs, to help them stimulate the economy, Ann Notarangelo reports.

<http://cbs5.com/video/?id=50094@kpix.dayport.com>

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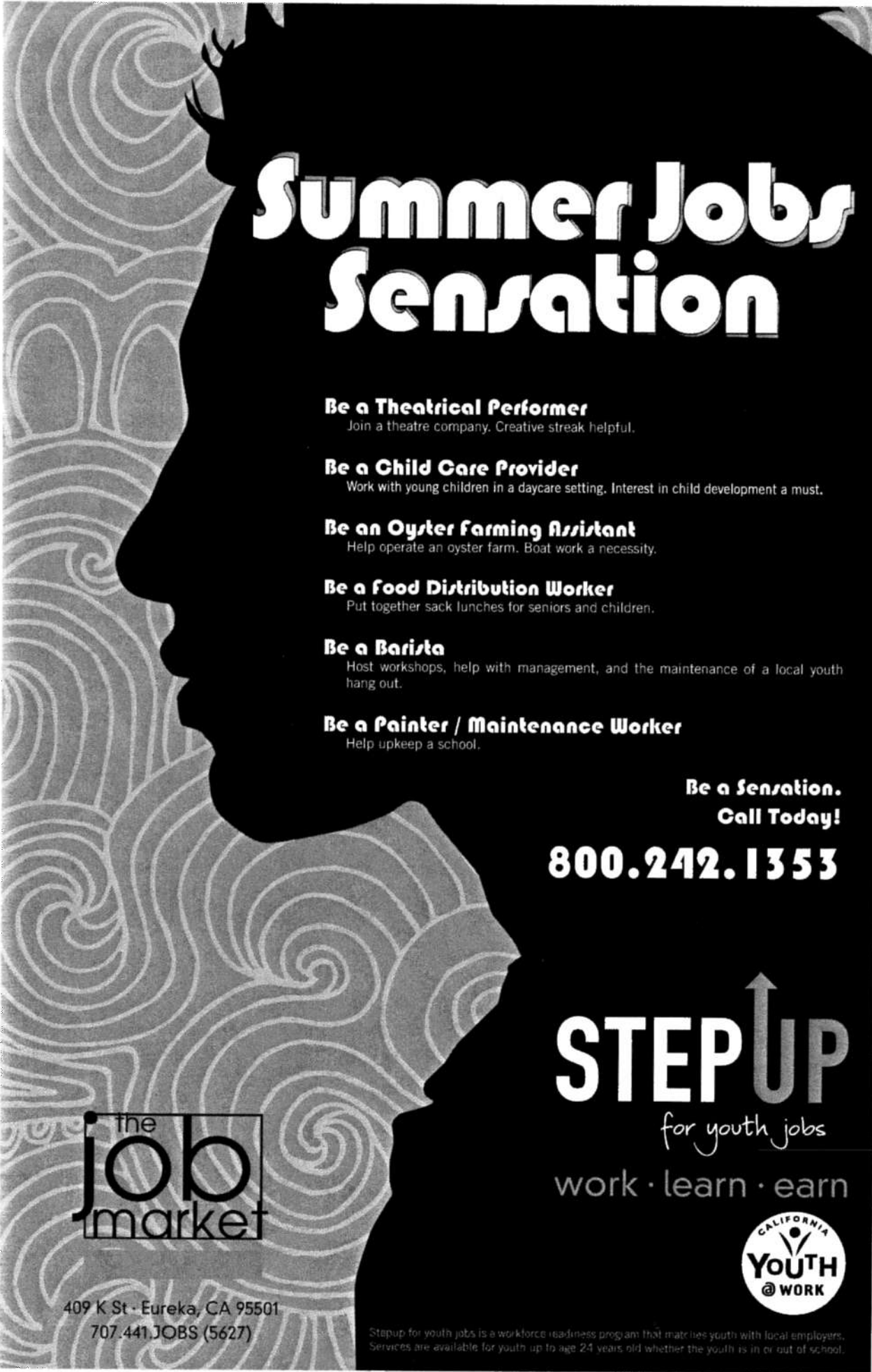
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Be a Landscaper

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Be a Customer Service Representative

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On the job experience

Federal government helps young people find summer work in a lousy economy

By Maggie Creamer

News-Sentinel Staff Writer

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Comments (No comments posted.)

Trimming weeds at the park, sorting canned goods for the Salvation Army or guiding guests through the World of Wonders Children's Museum are just some of the jobs Lodi youths are doing this summer as the federal government picks up the tab.

The jobs are part of a federal stimulus program to get low-income youths employed at various nonprofits and governmental entities, working between 20 and 30 hours a week at \$8 an hour.

Some, like 14-year-old Nauman Khattak, participated because they wanted their first summer job. He is working in the city's economic development department scanning documents.

"I had nothing to do over the summer and wanted to get some money," he said.

Others, like 24-year-old Carlos Gomez, signed up for the program after not being able to find a job in the poor economy.

San Joaquin County's WorkNet program received \$4.8 million in stimulus money and is using it to employ 1,600 people between the ages of 14 and 24, said Maria Castellanos, who is the customer management division supervisor for WorkNet.

The city of Lodi has hired 33 of the interns, and others have been placed with the San Joaquin County Historical Society and Museum, El Concilio, People Assisting Lodi Shelter, the Chamber of Commerce, the Community Partnership for Families and the Christa McAuliffe and Millswood middle schools, Castellanos said. She said she wasn't sure how many workers had been placed at the other organizations.

It has always been hard for 14-, 15- and 16-year-olds to find jobs, but it is even more difficult this summer.

"They are competing with the unemployment rate, which is so high in San Joaquin County," she said.

In May, San Joaquin was at 15 percent unemployment with 46,500 people out of work, according to preliminary numbers from California's Economic Development Department.

The jobs will continue through August for students still in school, and possibly longer for older youth, Castellanos said.

WorkNet asked the teens and young adults what they were interested in and tried to assign them to a similar job, she said.

With nine workers in the Parks and Recreation Department Superintendent Steve Dutra said the young adults are learning skills that could lead to careers. When he was young, Dutra said he participated for two summers in a program through San Joaquin County, where he did landscaping.

"It's two-fold because we are employing the youths of the community and, more importantly, providing them marketable skills to take into the workforce," Dutra said.

While holding a buzzing weed trimmer, 20-year-old Doug Bennett said he has previously worked delivering pizza and in retail. He said this is his first landscaping job, and he is excited to add another skill under his belt to tell future employers.

Bennett was working with Lodi employee Pete Melendez on Monday morning to clear out dead grass and debris from the Lodi Lake levee in preparation for the Fourth of July. Melendez had also worked as a summer youth in Stockton.

"I think it gives you the opportunity to experience jobs, and you may not like it and study harder. But you may like something you are doing, and excel from there," he said.

With the city budget slimmed down, Deputy City Manager Jordan Ayers said the extra help will accomplish tasks that normally would not get done.

In the parks department, permanent staff have been able to focus on some plumbing issues in the park to make sure all the toilets, urinals and sinks are ready for the Fourth of July, Dutra said.

Several of the young employees are also sorting and scanning paper documents so they will be searchable electronically, Ayers said.

"It's an opportunity to get work experience and see what the public sector is like, as opposed to retail or construction. ... We could be grooming the future city of Lodi employees," he said.

WorkNet is still in the process of placing applicants with non-profit organizations, said Castellanos.

"The purpose of the program is to give economically-disadvantaged youths an opportunity to participate in a summer employment opportunity to work, learn and earn income," she said.



Diandra Jay Staff Photographer

The Career Transition Center in Long Beach, for which Vivian Hochschild is a program specialist, will receive part of the \$9.9 million the city was given for training.

Funds help job, homeless plans

LONG BEACH: City is getting \$9.9 million for training and rental assistance programs.

By Paul Eakins Staff Writer

LONG BEACH — The city of Long Beach is receiving \$9.9 million in federal stimulus money that will provide job training programs for adults and youths plus assistance for the homeless and the near-homeless.

The youth work program places participants in public sector, nonprofit and other jobs, but they will actually be paid by the Workforce Investment Network, Rogers said.

For information on the employment programs, go to www.pacificgatewayworkforce.com, or call **562-570-WORK** (9675).

While some people are striving to improve their job skills, others simply need a hand up in basic living expenses.

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Stimulus Dollars Trickle Into City Coffers; Youth Get Job Boost

By Angela C. Allen

09/01/09

The money promised to the City of Long Beach from the \$787 billion American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, or stimulus bill, has started to trickle in, with just over \$13 million for health, homelessness and job training awarded to date.

Since April, the Long Beach City Council has approved the receipt of \$2.9 million for a Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program, \$374,992 for a Healthy Homes Demonstration Program, \$6.3 million in Workforce Investment Act Funds and \$3.5 million for a new Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Program, according to the city manager's office.

The most recent and largest award -- roughly \$6.3 million last week to The Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network -- is expected to directly create more than 1,200 youth jobs this summer.

I can't tell you how pleased I am to be able to have those resources," says Workforce Executive Director Bryan Rogers. "Right now [Long Beach is] around 12 percent unemployment rate, so we've got somewhere in the neighborhood of 30,000 residents that are out of work. What a difference [this] is going to make in terms of being able to impact and take care of the businesses and dislocated workers."

The Workforce Investment Network is administered by the City of Long Beach and oversees five local career centers, including a Youth Opportunity Center. It serves the communities of Long Beach, Torrance, Signal Hill, Ferrand, San Pedro, Wilmington, Harbor City and the Harbor Gateway area.

Rogers says nearly half of the \$6.3 million will fund a Summer Youth Employment Training Program where approximately 2,500 high school and college students will be trained and then placed into employment with local public, nonprofit and business organizations.

Immediately this is going to double what we would have served in terms of young people for the summer months through our Hire-A-Youth program," he adds. "The recovery funds will employ a little over 1,200 youth between July and September. They'll be able to work up to 25 hours a week, and they'll be placed at work sites throughout the city."

The money will also fund training for dislocated workers, including customized training for businesses, development of on-the-job training opportunities and temporary financial assistance to trainees, Rogers says.

The \$6,373,593 must be spent by 2010 and will be allocated as follows: dislocated workers, \$1,861,230; unemployed/underemployed adults, \$1,158,651; youth, \$2,726,003; and rapid response/business downsizing, \$628,709.

Jobs Slow To Materialize

Stimulus funds are distributed to states and local governments using federal formulas. The city expects to receive a total of \$63 million in formula-based funding from the stimulus bill, and is applying for another \$622 million for 47 projects that will be awarded to cities on a competitive basis. It's estimated these projects will generate more than 4,000 short-term jobs.

The formula [funding] is that which will come to us regardless, provided we meet the guidelines," says Geoffrey Hall, assistant to the city manager. "The competitive [grants] is where the bulk of the money is, and that's where a great deal of our efforts [will] be placed."

Federal officials have predicted the stimulus bill will directly create or save 3 million to 4 million jobs, 90 percent of them in the private sector. But locally, the pace of job creation has been slow, Hall says, that should change as more money comes in and the city contracts out larger projects.

the four cities this summer. The network is looking for youths to apply and businesses to put them to work. The network will pay for wages, manage payroll and cover workers' compensation insurance.

"This is a great opportunity for our youth," said Torrance City Councilman Bill Sutherland.

About \$1 million will focus on supporting small businesses through several programs, including an outreach effort called Your Next Hire.

Foster, who spoke about his experience as a former small business owner, said programs such as Your Next Hire will help raise awareness of resources such as information about tax credits and job training, and help forestall layoffs.

"This is part of putting people back to work," Foster said. "And I couldn't think of a better way to start than the engine of our economy - which is small business - to be able to assist them in being a much better business, to be able to thrive as a business and obviously to be able to hire more people so we can put people back to work."

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Cities announce jobs stimulus

FUNDS: Long Beach is among municipalities joining in \$6.3 million for training programs.

By Karen Robes Meeks, Staff Writer

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LONG BEACH - Job loss. Store closures. Small businesses trying to stay afloat.

Whether you live in Long Beach, one of the state's largest cities, or in Lomita, a municipality of about 2 square miles, communities large and small are feeling the effects of a tumbling economy.

"Like all California (cities), our residents are jolted by the loss of jobs," said Lomita Mayor Pro Tem Don Suminaga, who says that 800 of his city's 21,000 residents are without jobs. "We all share a common challenge of addressing the residents' needs in this time."

To help address their cities' needs, Long Beach, Lomita, Signal Hill and Torrance leaders gathered Wednesday to announce plans for the \$6.3million in economic stimulus funding received by Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network.

Pacific Gateway, which serves those four cities, estimated that more than 30,000

people in its coverage area are out of work.

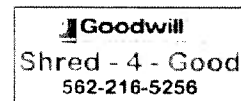
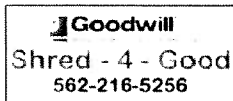
"This is a great way to put stimulus dollars to work," said Long Beach Mayor Bob Foster. "I can tell you the four cities are squarely behind this. We think this is a fabulous effort and we hope for much success."

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds, in addition to Workforce Investment Act money, will allow Pacific Gateway to help 2,000 to 3,000 more residents get much-needed job training and counseling at one-stop career centers in Long Beach, Torrance and San Pedro.

The network will dedicate nearly \$3 million of those funds to worker assistance, including the retraining of laid-off workers and temporary financial assistance.

The network also will put about \$2.3 million toward finding employment for young people and intends to hire 1,200 youths ages 14 to 24 from the four cities this summer. The network is looking for youthful applicants and businesses to put them to work. The network will pay for wages, manage payroll and cover workers compensation insurance.

"This is a great opportunity for our youth," said Torrance City Councilman Bill Sutherland, adding that ExxonMobil has a similar youth work program.



Mayor Foster speaks about the new hiring initiative. Photo by Ryan ZumMallen

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VIDEO: Stimulus Dollars Used To Jumpstart Employment

Long Beach Mayor Bob Foster joined leaders from three other neighboring cities this morning to introduce an initiative sponsored by the Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network that will use stimulus money to promote the hiring of youth aged 14-24 this summer. See video of Mayor Foster's speech below.

About \$6.3 million from the Economy Stimulus Act will be put toward the program, which reaches out to small businesses. Those that hire youth will be rewarded with tax breaks, and the Pacific Gateway stresses that employers will receive motivated, work-ready employees. Visit the website at yournexthire.biz.

Mayor Foster was joined by leaders from neighboring communities like Signal Hill (Mayor Ellen Ward), Torrance (Mayor Frank Scotto) and Lomita (Mayor Pro Tem Don Suminaga). Long Beach City Councilmember Tonia Reyes Uranga was also in attendance, and caught up with the LBPOST.com for a short interview about the plan's potential impact on her district.

"We're trying to get the word out that there's hope and employment," she said, pleased that the program includes a youth hiring aspect to keep kids off the streets and train them for the workforce.

"That is something that every city in this country has needed for ages," she said. "Aside from the youth component, hopefully we can get unemployed people back to work so they can pay their mortgages."

By Ryan ZumMallen, Managing Editor

Disclosure: LBPOST.com co-founder Shaun Lumachi is a Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network board member.

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Bryan Rogers (Exec. Director, Pacific Gateway, Workforce Investment Network) Interviewed on CNN

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Los Angeles Summer Youth Activities

Los Angeles is rolling out our summer activities in three phases:

Phase I:

We allocated \$2.5 million to implement a spring rollout of ARRA summer jobs. Utilizing our existing WIA youth contractors, we will have 1,250 youth, 14-24 participating in a summer work experience activity. The spring rollout will run from May 1 - June 30, 2009.

Phase II:

We allocated \$8.6 million ARRA for our traditional SYEP program that is scheduled to run from July 1 - September 30, 2009. This will serve 4,300 young people between the ages of 14-24. Phase II is complimented by an additional \$4 million in City of Los Angeles General Fund dollars and will employ an additional 2,000 young people. The City General Fund dollars remained intact without any reduction of funds, despite the current budget crisis

Total July - September SYEP = 6,300 youth.

Phase III:

We allocated an additional \$2 million in ARRA youth funds to do a Sector Based Summer Internship program during the months of August and September. This program will serve 1,000 young adults 21-24 years old.

6,550 ARRA Summer Youth + 2,000 City General Fund SYEP = 8,550 Summer Youth Jobs



LA summer jobs article picture caption 6-28

Cathleen Cotter, a professor at East Los Angeles College, teaches a class on work readiness for teens and young adults at Para Los Ninos in Los Angeles. The job market has narrowed as older workers who were laid off seek jobs that were traditionally for younger workers.

(Allen J. Schaben / Los Angeles Times)

June 23, 2009

US Stimulus Funds Provide Job Training, Food in Los Angeles

Los Angeles
17 June 2009

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In February, President Obama signed a massive stimulus package to create jobs and offer a boost to the sluggish U.S. economy. Today, the funds are flowing around the United States for projects ranging from highway construction to development of alternative energy sources. Stimulus funds are bringing jobs and other benefits to Los Angeles.

Young people are getting job training at the Watts Health Center, a non-profit inner-city clinic. California's unemployment rate is 11 percent, and the rate is even higher in this neighborhood.



Los Angeles Regional Food Bank

Stimulus funds are providing on-the-job training at the clinic for 25 young people, including 19-year-old Kiahre Lee, who is working as a clerical assistant.

"It is a big opportunity for me," said Kiahre Lee. "It is a good start since I am doing office work. It is a good, you could say, push to a better career."

Kiahre's coworker, 18-year-old trainee Tierra Hawkins, hopes to become a social worker, like those she works with here.

City officials are training several-thousand additional young people this year with \$12 million in stimulus funds. A \$45-million infusion is expanding the adult jobs program as well, says Gregory Burks of the Los Angeles Community Development Department.



Kiahre Lee

"It has allowed not only the city of Los Angeles, but all the municipalities the opportunity to train and to place double the amount of people that we generally place and train," said Gregory Burks.

He says workers are being trained in banking and other high paying industries.

"The fields are health care, logistics, some security, and also transportation," he said.

He says other trainees will work construction, which is now in a slump but is expected to pick up with new public works projects.

College student Nicole Graves is being trained as a journalist under the city program. She helps write a newsletter that keeps young people informed about youth opportunities and is grateful for the help from the president and Congress.

"It is giving me an opportunity to strengthen my skills in journalism and also just to strengthen myself as a person," said Nicole Graves.

The stimulus funds have also sent trainees to the Los Angeles Regional Foodbank, which distributes food to hundreds of Los Angeles charities. The workers are paid by another local program, newly expanded with federal help, says foodbank head Michael Flood.

"And we have had up to 15, 20, and at times more than 20 people here at the food bank as part of that program," said Michael Flood.

The organization receives surplus food from producers and processors, and buys food using cash from contributors.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture also provides food, and stimulus funds are being used to expand those shipments. Flood says 50 additional truckloads of government-purchased food have started arriving.

"It is a whole range of especially protein food items, eggs and peanut butter, meat items and other items that are really always in high demand," he said. "And the USDA is acquiring this food and then distributing it through food banks throughout the United States."

Workers from local food pantries come here for supplies. Earl Hill, who works for a church-based charity, says requests for help are up as more people lose their jobs.

"We usually feed about 60 or 65 every Wednesday," said Earl Hill. "We just give them boxes of food for the week. And now it is about 100 or 125."

Michael Flood says food-bank demand is up throughout Los Angeles by about 30 percent, and that the added help is needed.



Tierra Hawkins



Nicole Graves

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Edgar Valera, 17, listens as part of a class on job interviews at Para Los Ninos in Los Angeles. Younger people are finding increasingly difficult to find work, facing competition from older, more experienced workers

Many are pushed aside by older workers seeking employment after being laid off. Unemployment rates for youthful workers have jumped significantly in the last year.

By Seema Mehta
June 28, 2009

Amber Medina has been looking for a job for five months, ever since her father, a metal-worker, was laid off and her mom began struggling to support the family of seven on her \$15-per-hour job.

But the 17-year-old has yet to find anything permanent, despite sending out resumes and visiting dozens of potential employers, including the clothing stores Old Navy and PacSun. "I'm looking for any job to help my parents," she said.

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Medina said that when her father earned \$28 per hour, the family lived comfortably, easily making purchases such as cameras and the latest fashions. He recently found work, but it pays less than half what his previous job did.

The change in the family's circumstances is evident daily, such as on trips to the grocery store. "We don't throw everything in the basket like we used to," she said.

Medina, who is graduating this week from Roosevelt High School, is not alone.

With unemployment rates hitting record highs for teens and young adults, these workers are desperately seeking jobs this summer with little success. This year, the mainstays of youth summer employment -- the mall, the movie theaters, diners and fast-food chains -- are increasingly being filled by older workers pushed down the economic ladder by the recession.

Amanda Mercado, 20, said she has applied for about 200 jobs since January, when her employer moved 60 miles away to San Clemente. But she is sympathetic to the plight of older job seekers.

"I would hire a person . . . who has kids over me too," Mercado said last week, as she took a resume-writing course at the El Sereno Library.

Myra Arias, 20, a clerk at a UPS store in Boyle Heights, said she sees adults with extensive job experience asking for applications at the store every day.

"They're older and they're coming into a UPS store to ask for a job," she said. "It's kind of shocking."

Arias said the sour economy has been driven home for her twice recently: When her 29-year-old sister was laid off from her teaching position and when Arias visited the sandwich shop where she had worked during high school and found a friend's mother, laid off from a managerial job, behind the counter.

"It's, like, really tough right now," the West Covina resident said.

Statistics back up these tales. In May, unemployment hit 11.2% for Californians of working age, but it was 27.8% for 16- to 19-year-olds, and 14.3% for 20- to 24-year-olds. The figures represented a nearly 50% jump in teen and young-adult unemployment since May 2008, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The situation has grown even more dire since the data were released, said economist Jack Kyser of the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corp.

School districts, which issue work permits once teens secure jobs, say fewer students are requesting them. The Pasadena Unified School District issued 427 permits during the school year that just ended, compared with 907 the previous year, said Binti Harvey, a spokeswoman for the district.

Teens and young adults are hampered by several factors, from competition with older workers to an overall lack of jobs, Kyser said.

"A lot of the sectors where teens usually look for summer employment have dried up and blown away," he said, pointing to retail positions in particular. "You go into any mall, you don't see very many help-wanted signs. You're more likely to see blank storefronts."

Mike Rausch, a manager at a Trader Joe's market in Long Beach, said that despite a stream of job-seekers filling out applications, the store has not hired anyone in three months because of a dip in sales. "We've ordered so many more applications because our applications are running out very quickly," he said. But "we haven't hired anyone for a while just because business has been down."

One temporary bright spot involves the jobs for young people produced by the federal government's economic stimulus package. California received nearly \$187 million, which is being used to create positions for teens and young adults around the state.

In Los Angeles, Para Los Niños is placing 305 youths this summer at jobs funded by federal money, at such venues as the East Los Angeles courthouse and the California Science Center.

The young people, including Medina, will be paid \$8 per hour and the jobs will run for 140 hours. But first they had to complete a weeklong job-skills training course at the nonprofit's center on skid row.

At one point in the recent training session, instructor Cathleen Cotter asked the teens what type of work they were seeking.

"A job," Edgar Varela, 17, replied wearily. "Any job that pays."

The Boyle Heights youth has been looking for work for about a year, from stocking inventory at warehouses to selling shirts at the Gap. "There's a lot of competition out there even just to get a minimum wage job," he said.

Edgar said he hopes to use the income from the summer placement to help pay for his braces, to buy books for his upcoming pharmacy-technician training program and to defray his younger sister's high school costs. "I don't want her to struggle," he said.

For teens and young adults who are still searching for jobs, Kyser advised turning to unpaid internships if they can't find paying positions. The experience, he said, would help them land future employment.

Linda Broughton, a volunteer instructor for the L.A. Youth At Work program, also urged them to seek help from friends and family, who may overlook their lack of experience if they know the character of the applicants. The 50-year-old Mar Vista resident, who has worked in various fields since 1971, should know -- she was laid off in March.

"It's really hard," Broughton said after teaching the class on resume writing at El Sereno Library. "But they've got to stay persistent."

Rosemary Leyva, a full-time student studying medical insurance billing at the East Los Angeles Regional Occupational Center, was among Broughton's students. She had planned to take summer courses, but the college canceled them because of budget cuts. Since then, she has applied for sales clerk positions at shops such as Forever 21 and the 99 Cent store.

"I'm looking for anything right now, something to get me by," the 20-year-old said. "I go online and do job applications, but no one ever calls me back."

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NOVA using stimulus funds to foster youth employment

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The North Valley Job Training Consortium will funnel more than \$200,000 in federal stimulus funding to 10 schools and nonprofit groups for youth employment, training or leadership development.

NOVA received more than \$1 million in funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, or stimulus package, for youth services. The agency, which is managed by Sunnyvale, also serves Cupertino, Los Altos, Milpitas, Mountain View, Palo Alto and Santa Clara.

The summer-long program will serve about 200 young people, giving them up to 200 hours of training to prepare for the workplace, a job and some career and leadership development training. At least half of their time will be spent working.

The youth will be paid for all of their time depending on their age — \$8 per hour for high school students, \$9 for high school graduates or those with a GED and \$10 per hour for those who have completed some college.

Kris Stadelman, director of NOVA, said the stimulus funding would be well spent.

"The reason this fits into the recovery act is because it's stimulative. We're putting funding into the hands of people that will spend it," she said.

Stadelman, who took her post about a month ago, said that past studies have shown that teenagers generate \$4 for the economy for every \$1 that is spent on them in a "multiplier effect." She cautioned, however, that it is unclear whether that multiplier is still accurate.

Regardless, she said, "Early involvement of young people in work really enables them to find a way to productive adulthood without dropping out of school, without getting involved in drugs or the judicial system and without becoming young parents."

The organizations that NOVA will fund include the De Anza Community College Intercultural/International Studies Division, Digital Media Academy, Fremont Union High School District, Full Circle Farm, Foothill-De Anza Community College District's Occupational Training Institute, Palo Alto Unified School District, Sensory Access Foundation, TransAccess, Foothill College and Silicon Valley FACES.

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SETA – Sacramento Works For Youth Summer Employment Program

FACT SHEET

Total Funding for Sacramento Works for Youth 2009 Summer Youth Employment Program: **\$2,937,236**

Program Duration: **June 1 – August 31, 2009**

Total Youth to be served: **1,046 low-income youth**

Age Requirement: **16-21**

Youth can obtain application for Summer Youth Employment program on SETA website www.seta.net under Youth Resources section; through any one of the 19 funded providers or at any Sacramento Works Career Center.

Employers interested in hiring a youth can call **(916) 274-1019**.

Overview of Summer Youth Funded Activities:

Youth will be engaged in one to two week-long work readiness training prior to placement into paid summer employment activities. The summer employment activities include:

- Paid Employment with a private, public or non-profit business and/or
- Youth Development Community Service projects including
 - Leadership activities
 - Peer mentoring
 - Neighborhood or community beautification projects
 - Agriculture and “green” urban renewal projects
 - Art in public places
 - Artistic production activities
 - Good neighbor projects (giving back to their community or neighborhood).

Summer Youth Providers – SETA is partnering with community organizations to provide the 2009 Sacramento Works for Youth Summer Employment services. These include:

6 School Districts (San Juan Unified; Elk Grove Unified; Sacramento City Unified; Galt JUHSD; Twin Rivers Unified; Sacramento County Office of Education)

1 Public Agency (City of Sacramento)

11 Community-Based Organizations (Sacramento Chinese Community Service Center; CA Human Development Corporation; La Familia Counseling Center; Lao Family Community Development; Greater Sacramento Urban League; Soil Born Farms; CA Indian Manpower; Mutual Assistance Network; Roberts Family Development; Folsom Cordova Community Partnership)

1 Business Association (North State Building Industry Association)

The organizations and activities include:

Sacramento Chinese Community Service Center-Work readiness, academic enrichment and work experience targeting youth in the north and south areas of Sacramento.

Folsom Cordova Community Partnership-Work readiness, work experience and community service projects servicing youth in Rancho Cordova and Folsom Cordova USD.

San Juan Unified School District-Work readiness, work experience and community service projects serving youth in Citrus Heights, Arden Arcade and San Juan USD.

Elk Grove Unified School District- Work readiness and youth development community service projects serving youth in the Elk Grove Unified School District.

Sacramento City Unified School District-Career and Technical Prep- Work readiness and summer work experience opportunities for

youth in Sacramento City Unified School District focusing on opportunities in construction, office technology and healthcare careers.

CA Human Development Corporation-Work readiness and summer work experience to youth in Sacramento County with special focus serving migrant seasonal farm worker youth in Galt and the River Delta.

La Familia Counseling Center-Work readiness and work experience for youth in South Sacramento, Oak Park and the Franklin/Fruitridge areas.

Lao Family Community Development-Work readiness, community service projects and summer work experience focusing on the Southeast Asian, refugee and immigrant youth population in North and South Sacramento.

Greater Sacramento Urban League-Work readiness and summer youth work experience serving youth in North Sacramento and Del Paso Heights area.

Soil Born Farms-Work readiness and community service projects focusing on urban land farming and habitat restoration serving youth in Rancho Cordova area.

Crossroads Diversified Services-Work readiness and summer work experience serving youth in Rancho Cordova and Citrus Heights.

Sacramento County Office of Education-Work readiness and community service projects specifically targeting adjudicated youth in Sacramento County. Youth may also participate in the SCOE LINKS corps community projects including Good Neighbor community gardens and watershed restoration.

City of Sacramento - Work readiness, community service projects and summer work experience that incorporate youth-led service learning projects.

Galt JUHSD-Work readiness, community service projects and summer work experience serving youth in the Galt and River Delta.

California Indian Manpower Corporation-Work readiness and summer work experience to Native American Youth throughout Sacramento County.

Twin Rivers Unified School District-Work readiness and summer work experience serving students of Twin Rivers USD.

Mutual Assistance Network-Work readiness and neighborhood beautification community service projects serving youth in the Del Paso Heights area.

North State Building Industry Association-Work readiness and summer work experience in the construction industry serving youth in North Sacramento.

Roberts Family Development-Work readiness and community service projects focusing on providing youth leadership training for youth to work in community centers in the North, Central and South areas of Sacramento.

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Sacramento County teens to get help in landing summer jobs

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To combat the highest teen unemployment rates in decades, more than a thousand young people

in Sacramento County can count on jobs this summer with the help of \$5.9 million in federal stimulus money.

It marks the first time in a decade that the local government employment and job training agency is being subsidized to connect young people and work.

The majority of the money will be used to pay 1,064 workers – ages 16 to 21 – who will earn \$8

an hour for up to 30 hours a week from June 1 through Aug. 31, according to the Sacramento

Employment and Training Agency.

The jobs include administrative, camp counseling and urban farming positions, said SETA spokeswoman Terri Carpenter.

The \$5.9 million is part of President Barack Obama's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

and will be spent over a two-year period. Nearly \$3 million will be allotted this summer.

In tough economic times, young workers have a difficult time finding entry-level work in retail

and restaurants, officials said. Last summer, the national teen employment rate was nearly 30

percent lower than in 2000, according to the Center for Labor Market Studies at Northeastern

University in Boston.

"Young people need jobs to help round themselves out," said Christine Welsch, SETA's work force

development manager. "Yet they are often the last ones hired because working with a young

person requires the employer take the time to mentor them and provide closer supervision."

SETA will distribute the money to nonprofits, community-based organizations and school districts

that will then place youths in jobs.

A lack of commitment to youth employment adversely affects the entire work force, Welsch said.

"If we don't make that commitment now, we're going to pay later with an unprepared work force," she said.

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\$3M In Stimulus Funds Goes To Summer Jobs

Sacramento Agency: Arrangement Is Win-Win

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SACRAMENTO, Calif. -- Millions of dollars in federal stimulus money are helping disadvantaged

young adults in Sacramento County find jobs this summer.

The Sacramento Employment and Training Agency, or SETA, has nearly \$3 million in federal stimulus

money. It's partnering up with public, private and nonprofits to hire people between the ages of 16 and

21.

The stack of applications for summer jobs is quickly growing at the La Familia Counseling Center, Inc.

This year, the funds are allowing youth specialist Vidal Gonzalez to place 60 disadvantaged young adults in jobs.

There are benefits for businesses that get involved. They get an extra employee without having to pay out of pocket.

SETA recruits, pre-screens and trains participants to be work-ready and professional. The agency

collects time cards and covers the \$8 an hour wage.

Employers who keep who hire participants at the end of the program are eligible for a tax credit of up

to \$9,000.

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Summer job market's ice-cold for Sacramento-area teens

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Report cards are out. Time cards are in.

But the job market is a bear this year for teenagers looking for work during their summer vacation.

Eateries, clothing stores and other businesses that typically hire teens in entry-level positions have been hammered by the recession and are cutting staff. Nearly 10 percent of Americans, and more than 11 percent of Californians, are unemployed. Adults with college degrees are now working in minimum-wage jobs traditionally held by teenagers.

"I'd like to get a restaurant or retail job, but it's almost impossible," said Brandon Burson, who is 16 and a senior at El Camino Fundamental High School in Sacramento. "For every one job that opens up, there are hundreds of applications."

Figures released Monday by the nonprofit Employment Policies Institute are sobering. The group puts the teen unemployment rate at 24 percent, its highest rate in 17 years.

The shaky economy, combined with a rising federal minimum wage, has squeezed many teenagers out of the job market this summer, said Kristen Lopez Eastlick, senior research analyst for the group.

The federally mandated minimum wage is set to increase to \$7.25 per hour on July 24. California's minimum wage is even higher, \$8 an hour.

"Because there are so many adults out of work, competition for jobs is really tough," said Terri Carpenter, spokeswoman for the Sacramento Employment & Training Agency, which helps youth prepare for and find work. "Unfortunately, because of the economy, a lot of kids will not be getting jobs this summer."

Thanks to an infusion of federal stimulus funding, SETA this year sponsored a summer youth employment program, putting 1,054 young people to work in jobs paying the minimum wage.

Iesha Shepherd, 18, is one of them. Shepherd, who is attending summer school and has numerous family commitments, needed a position with flexible hours and found one at Ace Supply Hardware in North Highlands.

"I'm very willing to work," she said.

The city of Sacramento also has a youth vocational program, but it received far more applicants this year than it could accommodate, said supervisor Cheryl Rose.

"We had 735 qualified youth applicants for 64 jobs," said Rose. "So we're not even hitting 10 percent of the need."

In recent months the agency also has been getting applications from "very overqualified" adults who want to work with children, she said. "These are people with two master's degrees, and they need work. A lot of people are out there looking."

Stefany Leyba, 16, who attends El Sereno High, counts herself lucky to have a job this summer at Jamba Juice in Arden Fair mall.

"It was really easy for me to get this job because my sister works at another Jamba Juice," she said. "But a lot of my friends in high school are unemployed and having a hard time finding jobs."

Summer work for teenagers is about much more than earning pocket money, youth advocates said. The jobs hone skills that will help them be more successful adults, studies have shown.

Research from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, found unemployment for teens hurts their earnings for as long as a decade.

"These summer jobs are their introduction to the world of work," said Carpenter of SETA.

"They learn what employers are looking for so that they can have a model for the future. They get an idea of where their interests might be, and what they might want to do as they continue their education. They also learn money management, how to budget, how to save. Work readiness skills like these are invaluable."

Teenagers unable to find work at area businesses should look around their neighborhoods for ways to earn money and gain fodder for résumés in the future, said Carpenter. "Walk dogs. Take care of pets. Mow lawns. Clean houses or baby-sit," she said. "Or do volunteer work of some kind."

Kathy Chow, director of Hands On Sacramento, which posts volunteer opportunities on its Web site, said her agency "definitely" has more youths signing on.

"A lot of families are not doing the big vacations this year. They're doing 'staycations,' and parents and kids are looking for things to do over the summer," Chow said.

Many schools now require youngsters to perform community service, she noted, and President Barack Obama has called for a new spirit of volunteerism.

"It's made a huge difference," she said. For this year's Martin Luther King Day Jr. activities, the agency had 1,200 volunteer participants – 600 more than last year.

For young people, Chow said, volunteering can be a great entryway into the working world.

"Kids should look at volunteering really as their first job," she said. "They are giving their time, learning leadership and interpersonal skills. They may not be aware of it, but they are learning how to network. This is what they did with their summer, and it looks impressive to employers."

The Washington Post

As Summer Jobs Program Grows, Fenty Requests Funding Increase

By Nikita Stewart
Washington Post Staff Writer
Sunday, April 26, 2009

D.C. Mayor Adrian M. Fenty said the city needs \$45 million to operate its annual summer youth jobs program, which is shaping up to have its largest number of participants since the 1980s as young people seek work to provide for their families.

The request to the D.C. Council will be more than double the \$21 million originally budgeted to accommodate an expected 15,000 applicants. As of last week, more than 20,000 youths had registered online -- an indication that the number will surpass that of last year, when the city hired more than 21,000 young people. The registration deadline is Friday.

Last year's program was mired in mismanagement and cost overruns. Fenty's administration is trying to prevent a recurrence by reducing the number of contractors that will employ youths and by keeping better track of participants and their paychecks.

Fenty (D) and city officials used a Southeast neighborhood as a backdrop for a news conference last week. They said young people need to earn money for more than school clothes this year: They will be breadwinners.

"They're really providing income for their whole family because of the economic condition right now," Joseph P. Walsh Jr., acting director of the Department of Employment Services, said in an interview.

Fenty spoke on the front lawn of the East of the River Clergy-Police-Community Partnership, a nonprofit entity where 23 summer jobs participants will work. Before the event, he wandered over to a small group of young men standing across the street.

"My man Fenty jumped out of the hybrid and came over here. Never too big to say what's happening," said Julio Perez, 25, referring to the mayor's Smart car. "I'm too old [for the program]. He told me about an apprenticeship program. . . . I don't want a job. I need to have a skill. I have too many mouths to feed."

Pointing to two youths standing beside him, he added: "They're young enough. Mayor Fenty came over here and leaned on them a little bit."

The young men said they would register by Friday because they cannot find other jobs.

District residents must be between 14 and 21 years old for the program, which begins June 18 and runs just over nine weeks.

Fenty said he will ask the council to tap the Community Benefit Fund, a revenue fund created when the city approved the construction of Nationals Park. By law, the fund is supposed to be used for recreation centers, libraries, small-business development, job training and readiness programs and other "community benefits."

The mayor said he wanted to take about \$24 million from the fund for the jobs program. The fund has \$23.4 million available, said David Umansky, a spokesman for the office of the chief financial officer.

Last year, some council members balked at the mayor's request to use the fund for earmarks for various organizations, eventually settling on some of his choices and more council choices.

The fund is "available for pressing community needs," Fenty said. "It's the administration's position that it fits."

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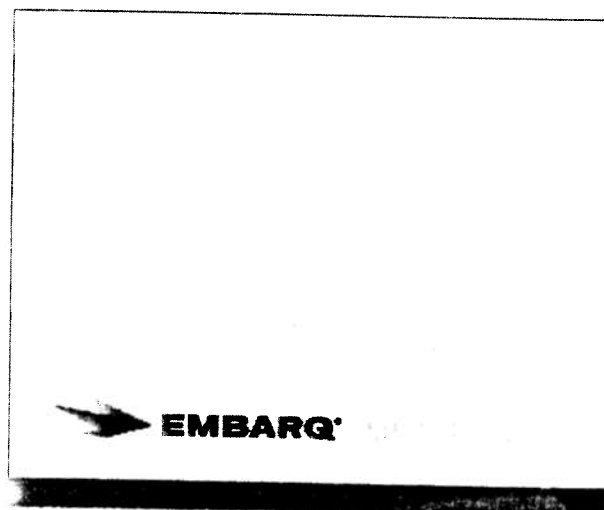
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The young adults will have the opportunity to earn \$8 an hour and work up to 35 hours a week for six to 14 weeks. About 100 youth will work in targeted industries for up to 38 weeks.

Young adults ages 16-24 who live in Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Lake and Sumter counties and who are economically disadvantaged are encouraged to apply.

Workforce Central Florida expects to receive \$12 million in stimulus money over the next two years to support employment and job training programs.

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[CC] 00:33:57 In our project economy report, the low down on a major job fair taking place tomorrow. **Workforce central Florida** will be holding its job fair at the fair grounds on colonial drive. The event starts around noon. You wan pregerister by heading to our website. Just click on the link under the project economy tab. 00:34:12

2. WESH 2 News @ 5:30 PM

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3. Eyewitness News Live At 5:00

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[CC] 00:16:16 1200 Jobs are coming to **central Florida** for young adults looking to work over the summer thanks to \$3 million in stimulus money. **Workforce central Florida** has created the summer youth employment program for low income youths between the ages of 16 and 24. Employees ll be working up to 35 hours a week for \$8 an hour. If you would like to apply, we have a link to the online application at wftv. Com/web links. 00:16:34

4. Local 6 News @ 5:00**DMA: 19****WKMG-TV CH 6 (CBS) Orlando****03/24/2009 05:00 PM - 05:30 PM**

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00:17:09 TZ; Summer Jobs: Stimulus money will help teens find summer jobs. V; job hunters. I; job seeker says he is trying to be independent. I; **Kimberly Cornett of Workforce Central Florida** says youth are having the hardest time. V; **Workforce Central Florida**. V; CareerBuilder.com. Tiffany Tift reporting. 00:19:05

5. Fox 35 News At 8**DMA: 19****WOFL-TV CH 35 (FOX) Orlando****03/25/2009 08:00 AM - 09:00 AM**

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6. Fox 35 News At 7**DMA: 160****WOGX-TV CH 51 (FOX) Gainesville****03/25/2009 07:00 AM - 08:00 AM**

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7. Fox 35 News At 8**DMA: 160****WOGX-TV CH 51 (FOX) Gainesville****03/25/2009 08:00 AM - 09:00 AM**

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Agri-Tech Education Blooms At Apopka High

When Principal William Floyd announced this week that Apopka High School has been awarded a \$47,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to implement a tissue culture education program in the school's agriculture department, it was a bright spot during an otherwise bleak week of news regarding public school funding. This program – which will have Apopka High partnering with the University of Florida's Agricultural Research Center to turn the school's Agriculture program into a state and national demonstration site – is designed to prepare students to pursue post-secondary educations in biotechnology. The tissue culture lab will teach students how to clone and nurture plant tissues that eventually grow into new plants. Additionally, this grant includes a program in entomology



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(identification and eradication of insects) and pathology (identification of plant and fungi species). Funding will be used to design and implement a curriculum to teach these skills by July 2011.

This is particularly good news for **Orange County** Commissioner Fred Brummer, who included agri-tech among priority industries when establishing the Northwest Orange County Economic Development Initiative in November 2008. On an ongoing basis, the Commissioner is working closely with the **EDC's** Mike Bobroff, **Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce** president Paul Seago, and Dr. Wayne Mackay from the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS), among others, to build and diversify the economy of his district.

hdED Generates Power



EDC Board Members and *hdED* Campaign Cabinet Supporters (pictured below) were among over 50 investors who learned more about "next generation" economic development through participation in the EDC's *hdED* Power Breakfast,

held Wednesday in the offices of our friends at the **GrayRobinson** law firm. This series of gatherings is designed to give investors a look at the proactive marketing strategies outlined for the years ahead, as the EDC works to transform our economic development program into "high definition".

The next *hdED* Power Breakfast is scheduled for Tuesday, April 28th at 9:00 a.m. We hope you'll join us! Click [here](#) for more information and to RSVP.



Pictured left to right: Tom Hankins, Nick Pope, David Pace, Don Jernigan, Don Gaudette, Melanie Cornell, Jim Jardon, Ray Gilley

Stimulus Dollars At Work In Central Florida

Need help this summer? Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, **WORKFORCE CENTRAL FLORIDA** is slated to receive a total of \$12 million in stimulus dollars over the next two years to support employment and job training programs. Three million of those dollars will be invested



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- Orlando ranks as the #1 destination for medical/healthcare meetings, convention tradeshows, according to the 2009 Health and Exhibitors Association's *State of the Report*. [Read more>>](#)

Going GREEN

On March 28th, from 8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m., **City of Orlando** will turn off all non-emergency lights in City Hall. This "lights out" is designed to show the City's support for the global Earth 2009 campaign. Citizens and businesses of the City of Orlando and pledge their support out more at cityoforlando.net/green

immediately in WCF's Summer Youth Employment Program, a strategy to employ 1,200 young adults – ages 16 to 24 – into local jobs starting in June 2009. Non profits, government agencies, and targeted private sector employers can be part of this program.

Employers interested in participating should apply online. Economically disadvantaged young people from Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Lake and Sumter Counties are also encouraged to apply. Info:
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SCARC, Inc will be hosting their "Driving for a Cause" Annual Golf Tournament on **April 25, 2009** at the Shady Brook Golf & RV Resort starting at 8:30am. If you would like to participate or to be a sponsor for the event please contact Marsha Perkins or Maggie Brock at 352-793-5156.

Relay for Life of Sumter County

The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life is going to be held at Lake-Sumter Community College on **May 15-16, 2009**. For more information about this event please visit www.relayforlife.org/sumtercountyfl or contact the American Cancer Society Lake-Sumter Unit at 352-326-9599.

Summer Job Connection

Sumter County Youth, Non-Profits, Government and certain targeted privated sector businesses (Health Occupations, Math, Science and Technical fields, including Green-Related Industries) can partner through WorkForce Central Florida for a program that is designed to provide valuable paid employment experience for area youth, while offering participants additional human resources at no cost (youth will be paid by WorkForce Central Florida using stimulus funds).

Applications for both employees (youth 16-24) and site participants are available online at www.WorkforceCentralFlorida.com/SummerWork.

Tax Preparation Aid in Wildwood

There will be a free tax preparation service for all ages. This service starts on Monday, February 2 and ends Monday, April 13th. This service will be provided at the Wildwood Community Center located at 6500 CR 139 in Wildwood on Mondays from 9:00am-3pm, and Thursdays from 9:00am-12:00pm.

Jackson Hewitt Tax Service is offering a tax preparation software buyback special, if you did not use it to file your taxes. If you would like more information about this program please contact Jackson Hewitt at 888-282-1040.

CornerStone Hospice needs Volunteers

Anyone interested in giving some of their time at the Lane Purcell Hospice House please call Volunteer Service Manager Lisa Gray at 352-742-6806 or Volunteer Specialist Pamela Lawless at 352-751-3104. Hospice really needs volunteers who want to help patients and their loved ones.

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[CC] 00:09:10 In **central Florida** right now, unemployment is the worst it's been 33 years. At 9.7 percent. A career fair at seminole community college's oviedo campus offered some hope for people looking for work. Job hunters had a chance to network, sell themselves and find a career. Many vendors offered education and retraining and people are encouraged to research the jobs that will stay hot. We found a father and son both looking for work. > Sent resumes out and don't get responses a lot of times. What are you hoping for today? What are you looking for? > Looking for a job in some type of management, sales possibly. Hopefully find an opportunity to better myself and my career and maybe possibly find a better income for my son. > **Workforce central Florida** statistics show there are more than 107,000 unemployed people in our area right now. Where is the next chance for you to find a job if we found a job fair where you don't have to leave your house. **Workforce central Florida** will host a virtual job fair April 20th-24. It features jobs 23rd entry level to top management. We've put a link for more information at our website wesh. Com. 00:10:13

2. Fox 35 News At 11

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[CC] 00:44:27 If you're between 16 and 24 years old, or if you know someone that age who is looking for a summer job, you need to hear this story. **Workforce central Florida** is looking to place people in **central Florida**, and 100 of those could stay employed past the summer. The job pays \$8 an hour. Go to myfoxorlan. Com for more details. 00:44:39

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offices and using our services on-line. We know that even people who still have jobs are seeing their paychecks just decline. The average workweek is n a record low 33. 2 hours. 00:04:46

[CC] 00:06:17 Saving where you can. Being patient and being flexible. And it will get worse most likely before it gets any better we should know that? Yes, definitely know it is going to get worse before it gets better but there is light at the end of the tunnel. Keep your chin up. **Kimberly cornett** with **workforce central Florida**. Thank you for your time. Thank you. Surveillance cameras catch an A.T.M. In apopka. This white van came crashing into a winn-dixie store. The two men wrapped a chain around the A.T.M. And ripped it out of the ground and placed it in the back of the van an took off. That van was later found engulfed in flaments. Authorities do believe the rob --Engulfed in flames. The damage to the store is estimated at \$15,000. An ocala man has an amazing story of survival after a powerful storm moved right through Tennessee. Authorities believe that storm included a tornado that picked up an 18 wheeler. The man behind the wheel from ocala. We were going real slow. Just a big gust of wind came through. 00:07:21

7. Eyewitness News At 5:30 p.m.

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[CC] 00:16:50 covering news where you live county by county, **work force central Florida** has already received 285 applicationsrom young people looking for summer work. **Work force central Florida's** summer jobs connection will employ 1200 young people. The positions will pay \$8 per hour for six weeks. The employment program was funded by more than \$3 million in stimulus money. You must live in orange, osceola, seminole, lake or sumpter counties to apply, and you'll find that application at wftv. Com/web links. 00:17:15

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Stimulus to help younger workers

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The Summer Youth Employment Program will provide valuable work experience and income to 1,200 young adults, and it will have an immediate financial impact on our local economy," shares Gary J. Earl, President & CEO of WORKFORCE CENTRAL FLORIDA.

WCF expects to receive a total of \$12 million in stimulus dollars over the next two years to support employment and job training programs. Details will be announced in June for additional programs.

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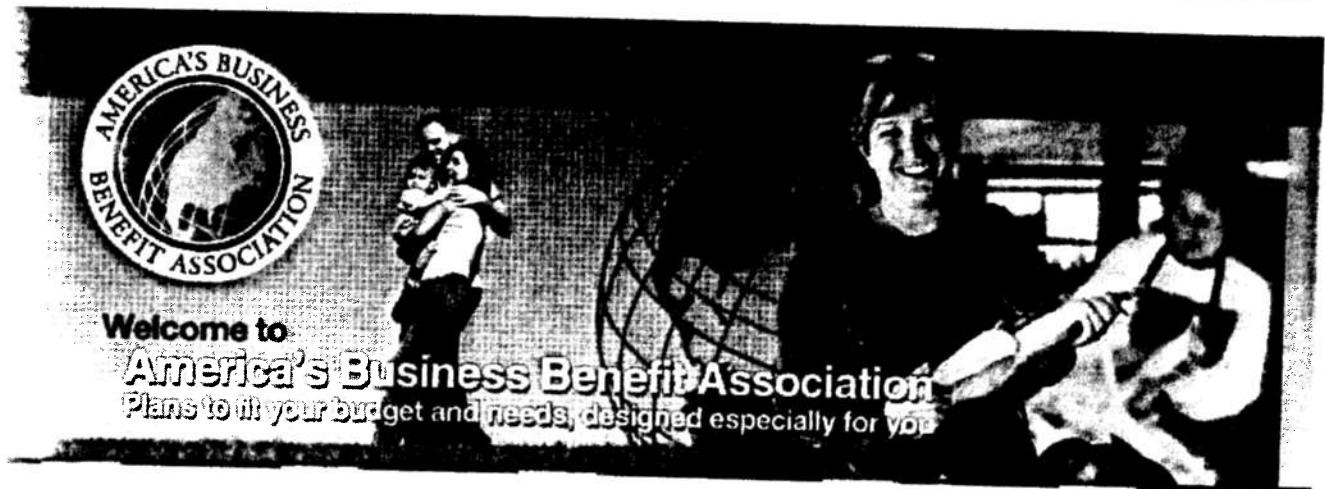
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Metroplan Orlando

METROPLAN ORLANDO, the metropolitan planning organization for Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties, is currently working on its 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan and needs your input. For your chance to weigh in on Central Florida's future transportation systems, please visit <http://www.metroplanorlando.com/site/lrtp/our-responses.asp> to complete the Question of the Month and a brief survey. This month's question is: What do you believe the funding breakdown for Central Florida's federal transportation dollars should be in the year 2030?

New Super Circuit Classes

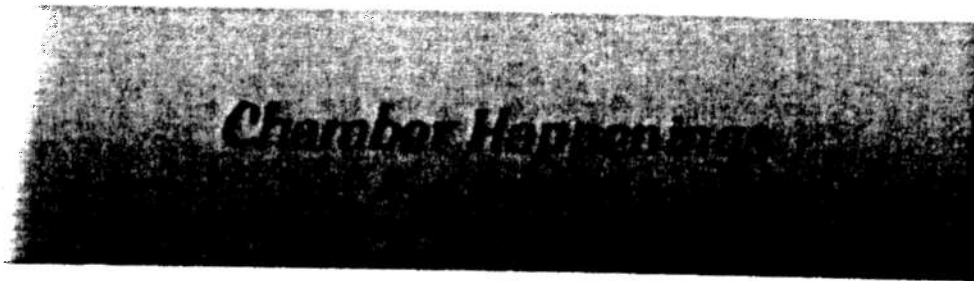
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The Chamber Office will be closed on Friday, April 9, 2009, to observe Good Friday.

Would you like to see your event or meeting listed here? See the notice at the end of Chamber Happenings for more information.

Tourist Development Grant Applications

Central Florida Alliance is please to host Marci Shimoff, bestselling author, as she presents "Happy for No Reason-7 Steps to Being Happy from the Inside Out". You are invited to attend this event on **Wednesday, April 22 from 5:30pm to 8:30pm** at Arlington Ridge Fairfax Hall in Leesburg. Cost is \$20 for Spirit of Women members and \$25 for non-members. There will be a food and wine tasting from 5:30-7:30pm and the speaker will begin at 7:00pm. RSVP online at www.cfhalliance.org or call 352-323-5525.

2009 SCARC, Inc Annual Benefit Golf Tournament

SCARC, Inc will be hosting their "Driving for a Cause" Annual Golf Tournament on **April 25, 2009** at the Shady Brook Golf & RV Resort starting at 8:30am. If you would like to participate or become a sponsor for the event please contact Marsha Perkins or Maggie Brock at 352-793-5156.

Relay for Life of Sumter County

The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life is going to be held at Lake-Sumter Community College on **May 15-16, 2009**. For more information about this event please visit www.relayforlife.org/sumtercountyfl or contact the American Cancer Society Lake-Sumter Unit at 352-326-9599.

Summer Job Connection

Sumter County Youth, Non-Profits, Government and certain targeted privated sector businesses (Health Occupations, Math, Science and Technical fields, including Green-Related Industries) can partner through WorkForce Central Florida for a program that is designed to provide valuable paid employment experience for area youth, while offering participants additional human resources at no cost (youth will be paid by WorkForce Central Florida using stimulus funds).

Applications for both employees (youth 16-24) and site participants are available online at www.WorkforceCentralFlorida.com/SummerWork.

Tax Preparation Aid in Wildwood

There will be a free tax preparation service for all ages. This service starts on Monday, February 2 and ends Monday, April 13th. This service will be provided at the Wildwood Community Center located at 6500 CR 139 in Wildwood on Mondays from 9:00am-3pm, and Thursdays from 9:00am-12:00pm.

Jackson Hewitt Tax Service is offering a tax preparation software buyback special, if you did not use it to file your taxes. If you would like more information about this program please contact Jackson Hewitt at 888-282-1040.

Work program is for young adults 16 to 24 years old

Young adults and employers may now apply for Workforce Central Florida's Summer Jobs Connection, an employment program funded by more than \$3 million in stimulus funds under the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act.

The program will provide valuable work experience for 1,200 young adults in local jobs starting June 22.

Participants will earn \$8 an hour, and most will work up to 35 hours a week for six weeks.

About 100 out-of-school young adults will work in targeted industries for up to 38 weeks. Participants will be placed in employment with nonprofits, government agencies and targeted private sector employers in Orange, Osceola, Lake, Seminole and Sumter counties.

Young adults ages 16 to 24 who live in Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Lake and Sumter counties who are economically disadvantaged are encouraged to apply for the program.

No-cost computers with Internet also are available at all Workforce Central Florida Resource Rooms: in Lake County at 1415 S. 14th St., Leesburg; in Orange County at 5166 E. Colonial Drive, Orlando, and in Osceola County at 1392 E. Vine St., Kissimmee. For more information, call the Summer Job Connection Hotline at 407-531-1286.

A limited number of opportunities are available for longer work assignments with targeted

industries, such as healthcare and various sciences, technology, engineering and math as well as in green and emerging industries.

All employers are encouraged to apply; priority may be given to nonprofit, government and targeted industries in the for-profit sector.

For more information or to apply either for work or as an employer, visit www.WorkforceCentralFlorida.com/summer

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[FULL STORY]

Florida Bankers Association CEO Optimistic and Ready for Change

Last week, nearly 100 Chamber Members and guests heard Alex Sanchez, President and CEO of the Florida Bankers Association, discuss the current banking situation and what has happened to banks in the last several months.
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"It's a Small World"

Deadly Illness Brings Central Florida's Leaders Together to Make a Difference

Positioned in a Bright House Networks office in Orlando sits a faithful employee who has fallen upon the worst times of his life. Little did he know, his bad fortune would bring a deep network of friends, also some of the community's most prominent leaders, to his aid.
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Inc. Magazine Coming to Chamber Members!

Inc. Magazine and the Orlando Regional Chamber of Commerce are proud to announce that Chamber membership now includes a one-year subscription to Inc. Magazine, "The Daily Resource for Entrepreneurs."
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United Arts Announces Regional Arts Advocacy & Awareness Meeting

United Arts is pleased to announce details for this semi-annual regional gathering of Central Florida's arts & cultural leaders, to take place on Friday, April 17, 2009, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. A.L.I.G.N. (Advance Listen Inspire Grow Nurture) was created as an opportunity for arts leaders in the seven-county region to discuss advocacy and awareness for the arts.
[FULL STORY]

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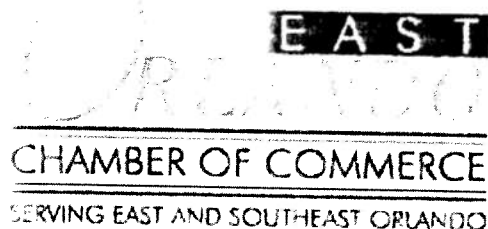
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Heart of Florida United Way Announces Two New Requests for Proposals (RFP) for 2009

On Wednesday, April 8, ***Building Safe Communities*** RFP Opens and on Tuesday, May 5, ***Improving Financial Stability*** RFP Opens. United Way has served the community and helped hundreds of thousands of people in Central Florida for nearly 70 years. Now we're taking that help to a new level. Results from a comprehensive tri-county study shaped our move to a new and expanded business model called Investing in Results. United Way is now opening up the RFP process for competitive funding dollars. This new process will focus on critical issues in specific investment areas to support preventative programs and services. For details and more information regarding the 2009 RFP process, visit www.hfuw.org and click on the Investing in Results tab.

WCF's Summer Youth Employment Program

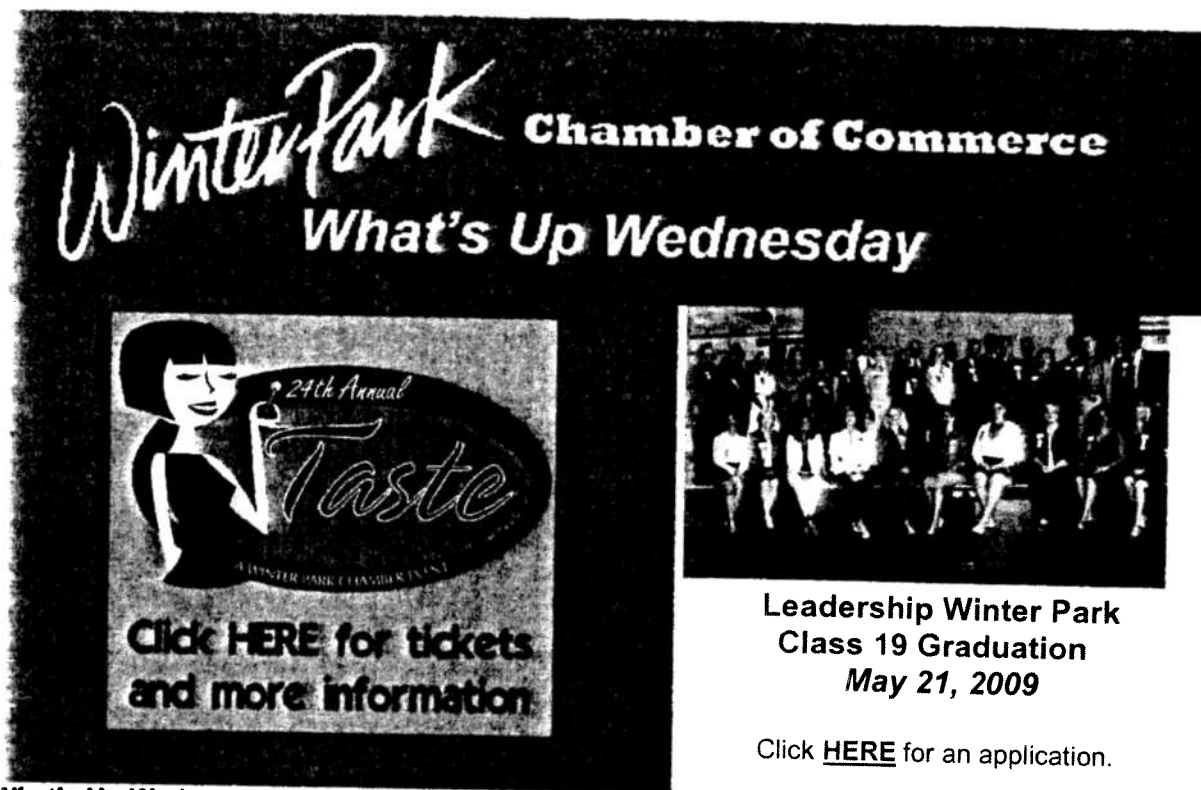
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quality school that is not overcrowded with quality teachers? That's what they want to do. And the stimulus money will last two years. And parents will get a chance to meet the new superintendents and the job will go to associate superintendent Brenda Blackburn or a candidate from Falls Church, Virginia. Both will be at a meet and greet at 6:00 tonight at the educational services facility. And marking its 30th anniversary today where they will induct into their hall of fame at 9:30 this morning. They include concerts from full sail graduates like Anthony Hamilton and the Jacob Jeffries Band and the day will include surprises from Hollywood. 00:16:08

5. WESH 2 News @ 5 PM

DMA: 19

WESH-TV CH 2 (NBC) Orlando

04/17/2009 05:00 PM - 05:30 PM

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[CC] 00:09:08 The latest unemployment numbers continue to look dire but there are flickers of hope. The jobless count held steady from February to March centered but it is close to ten percent the highest in 33 years. Greg Fox joins us right now. Have the numbers shown down anywhere. They have. A majority of our local counties saw a drop or no increase in the number of people unemployed. Let's look at our map. The orange counties you see or rather I'm sorry the blue counties, Marion and Sumter, Osceola and Flagler of course they actually saw a decline in the rate. Out in the coast, Volusia and Brevard County, no change from February. Right in the core, Orange County, Seminole County, and Lake County, that is where you saw an increase in the jobless rate. Marisol Santos is scanning the job listings looking for work similar to her former job at an engineering office. She is hoping to land a new job next week to help take care of her disabled husband. Cut backs it's very scary. Very scary. You don't know from one day to the next how you are going to feed yourself, you know. Where you are going to live. In the nine county **central Florida** region alone there are more than 58,000 people unemployed today who with working in March a year ago. But **workforce central Florida** is expecting some temporary help this summer from Uncle Sam. Economic stimulus money will pay to create 1200 temporary jobs lasting between 6 and 24 weeks. It will match people under 24 with employers in need of help. It's going to stimulate the economy and get there fast. This going to start June 22nd. 00:10:43

[CC] 00:10:51 The money is going into people's hands who are young and are going to pay their bills and it's going to go right into the economy. And here is the March unemployment breakdown. **Central Florida** is unchanged at 9.9 percent. The state also unchanged at 9.5 percent across the U.S. The jobless rate was up slightly to nine percent. That summer employment program through **workforce central Florida** needs local business owners who want good, young workers who will have their salaries paid by the federal government. If you own a business, fill out an application right away at **workforce central Florida**. Jim, Martha. 00:11:17

6. Eyewitness News Daybreak

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WFTV-TV CH 9 (ABC) Orlando

04/20/2009 06:00 AM - 07:00 AM

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[CC] 00:26:57 A new job fair starts today. **Workforce central Florida** is holding a virtual job fair right now. They are from entry level to top management. The fair will run 24 hours a day until Friday. We can link you to the virtual job fair through our web site, wftv.com. Click on the web links section. 00:27:10

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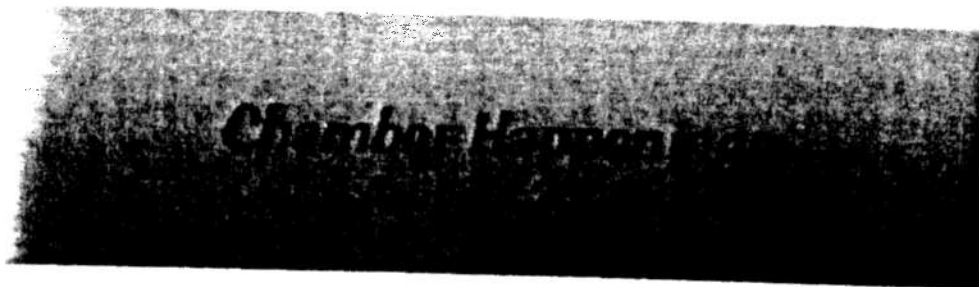
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The City of Bushnell has scheduled two meetings for **May 6, 2009 at 2:00pm and will be repeated at 6:00pm** called "Bushnell's Vision 2030". The primary purpose of this process is to identify core community values, develop strategies, goals and implement desirable changes for the future. The meetings will be held at the Bushnell Community Center located at 407 E. Belt Ave.

If you have any questions regarding this event contact Tracy's Point Fishing Lodge at 352-793-8060.

Benefit Concert to Kick Off "Be Kind to Animals Week"

The South Sumter High School Music Department will be performing its annual spring concert **Monday, May 4 at 7pm**. The concert will be held at the South Sumter High School cafeteria, and will include the high school band, chorus and jazz band. This year at the concert donations of feed, supplies and cash will be accepted to help the Humane Society/SPCA of Sumter County. For further information about this event please contact Claudia Labbe' at 352-793-9117

The 58th Annual National Day of Prayer is planned to be held on **Thursday, May 7, 2009** in various locations across the country. In Sumter County this event will be held at the steps of the Historic Sumter County Courthouse on May 7th at noon.

Relay for Life of Sumter County

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Sumter County Library System Teen Advisory Group(TAG)

TAG is a volunteer opportunity for teens in grades 7-12 to meet monthly and brainstorm ideas to make our libraries better for teens. Groups are forming at: Library on Wheels 352-568-3456, Lake Panasoffkee Community Library 352-793-8608, and Villages Public Library 352-259-5739. If interested call or stop by the library for a TAG membership application.

Chamber Ambassadors

If you are a chamber member and are interested in becoming a Chamber Ambassador please contact the Chamber office at 352-793-3099. The Chamber Ambassadors are "organized to provide leadership opportunities for members and to help enhance the Chamber's customer service focus".

Chamber Directory: Advertising for the 2009-2010 Sumter Directory is now being sold. This popular community resource is distributed to visitors, included in relocation packages and used by our residents and businesses as an important Community Resource. Members may contact Chris at Heron Publishing for additional information by calling 352-596-0209 or 1800-785-1800. All members receive a listing in this publication as a benefit of membership. A form that will allow you to update contact information is

LOCAL WORKFORCE HELPS disadvantaged find jobs

Sanford Herald - 5/3/09

Workforce Central Florida connects youth between the ages of 16 and 24 to 1,200 summer jobs and is looking for candidates.

Eligibility requirements:
Must be a resident of Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Lake or Sumter counties; Financially disadvantaged with low income or have a disability.

Priority is given to veterans and their spouses. WCF will make the employee and employer connection and even write the payroll checks.

Each participant will earn \$8 per hour and will work up to 35 hours for 6 weeks. That means you can earn up to \$1,680 this summer plus you will gain valuable work experience and new skills.

June 5 is the application deadline. For more information call 407-531-1286 or visit www.workforcecentralflorida.com/summerwork.

- The 2nd Annual Seminole High School Basketball Alumni Weekend will be today (Saturday).

The Game will tip off at 6 p.m. Seminole High School Gym is at 2701 Ridgewood Ave. Come and join the alumni and support the community.

Proceeds will go to the West Sanford Boys & Girls Club, Seminole High School basketball and the Unity Youth Association. Tickets are \$5.

- A mother and daughter tea will be held at Second Shiloh Baptist Church. Mothers and daughters, aunts and nieces and sisters are invited to come share stories and bond on May 9 at 10 a.m.

The guest speaker will be the Rev. Bettye Watson of Greater Mt. Olive AME



Photo special to the Herald by Marva Hawkins
Dr. Benita Tillman Brown and Dr. Erica Terrell Tillman.

information call 407 328-4336.

- Gaines and Morgan Post and Auxiliary 18 will observe their 2nd Banquet on May 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Sanford Civic Center.

The guest speaker will be Colonel Charles Gibson. Tickets are available through Amvets members.

- A Mother and daughter recently earned doctorate degrees. Dr. Benita Tillman Brown and Dr. Erica Terrell Tillman graduated from Argosy University in Sarasota. Benita received a Doctorate of Education in Educational Leadership.

She is presently a social worker with Volusia County Schools.

Erica received a Doctorate of Business Administration in Management and is currently employed by Volusia County School as a Career Connection Facilitator.

- The 22nd Annual "Sight

Central Florida on May 9 at Universal Studios.

The Lighthouse Central Florida is a non-profit organization that provides rehabilitative services to children, teens and adults with blindness and severe sight impairments.

The admission for the event is \$75 per participant, which includes the walk, t-shirt and a two-park ticket for use on May 9.

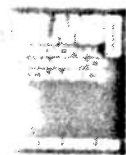
Proceeds from the event will benefit Lighthouse for transportation and training tools.

The event will begin with registration at 6:45 a.m. and start the walk at 7:45 a.m. Park passes will be distributed at the end of the walk. For more information call 407-322-8715.





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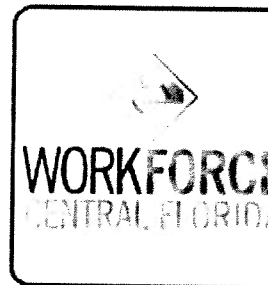
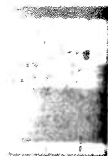
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May 14 at 10:40am · Comment · Like · Share



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Wendy Jo Moyer · 11:02 am
Thanks Autumn! :)



Autumn Schaefer Ames · 11:03 am
Not a problem - we are so excited to have the extra help - I want all my nonprofit buddies to get help too :)

Be a comment...

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May 7 at 1:58pm · Comment · Like · Share



Matt Certo at 1:58pm · Replied
we're working on it!



Linda Renfro at 11:58am · May 9
Hey - do you still have job openings? Cause my sister needs a job.



Kimberly Cornett at 11:58am · May 9
Yes, tell her to send me her resume.

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Looking for licenses massage therapists to start ASAP!!! in my new spa that was opened on Saturday 05/09/2009 the location is 11301 South Orange Blossom Trail, Suit A-209 Orlando, Florida 32837 if you like you could come and check out the place for your self is a great environment to work in and you get great commission. If you would like more information about the possition please call me at (407)535-0497 my name is Julio Montoya

The Plaza Cinema Cafe - We will be conducting interviews on Tuesday May 12, and Wednesday May 13, at The Plaza downtown, 155 South Orange Avenue on the 15th floor conference room (From 10-5). For more information please contact Michelle Briscoe at 407-257-7699.

Housekeeper: Full Time position available at The Harbor at Lake Howell apartment community. Looking for a team player that is detail-oriented and motivated. If interested please contact the office at 407-657-8961 or DCastro@zomusa.com

Titania - Titania has the following position for an immediate start: Sales Representative [Get job description](#)

Dodge Chrysler We are currently seeking Salesmen for our New and Used sales department. We have 10 slots available. Email your resume to erikamercedteofrio@greenway.com or call 407-275-3200 x4728. ... [Get details](#)

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Making History

COMING SOON! Grow Your Business

BusinessForce Celebrates PLI Graduates

Mid-Year Economic Update



Featuring: **Sean Smith, Ph.D.**
Director of the Institute for Economic Competitiveness within the College of Business Administration
University of Central Florida

Thursday, May 21, 2008

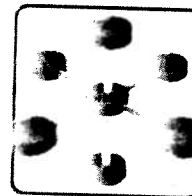
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Where in the World are We? Sold Out

There's much anticipation and excitement around the region about the unveiling of Where in the World are We? - 2009 Progress Report for the Central Florida Region. With almost 250 confirmed reservations, the event is now officially **SOLD OUT!**
[FULL STORY]



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This one-day workshop is designed for new-to-export companies who have limited or no exposure to exporting. Participants will leave this workshop with the basic elements of exporting including how to evaluate their company for export readiness, develop an export marketing plan, and understand the basics of U.S. export regulation, logistics and finance. (This workshop will not address the topic of foreign outsourced manufacturing.)
[FULL STORY]

Travel & Tourism Rally in Downtown Orlando

The Travel & Tourism Rally will be held in the Highwoods Building Plaza in front of the Downtown Information Center on the corner of Orange Ave and Church Street, Tuesday, May 12, 2009, from 11 am to 12:30 pm.
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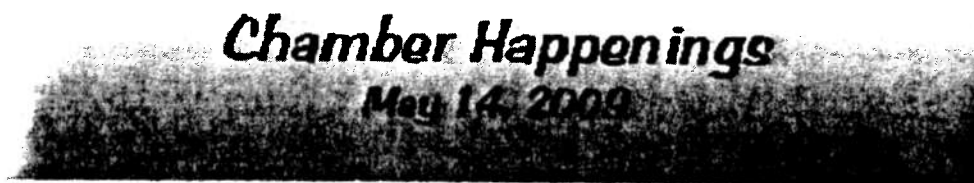
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Chamber Ambassadors

If you are a chamber member and are interested in becoming a Chamber Ambassador please contact the Chamber office at 352-793-3099. The Chamber Ambassadors are "organized to provide leadership opportunities for members and to help enhance the Chamber's customer service focus".

Chamber Directory: Advertising for the 2009-2010 Sumter Directory is now being sold. This popular community resource is distributed to visitors, included in relocation packages and used by our residents and businesses as an important Community Resource. Members may contact Chris at Heron Publishing for additional information by calling 352-596-0209 or 1800-785-1800. All members receive a listing in this publication as a benefit of membership. A form that will allow you to update contact information is being sent to all members. Please complete and return your form to the chamber by fax (352-793-2120) to ensure that your information is updated and complete.

Wendy Jo Moyer

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Would you like to see your event or meeting listed here? See the notice at the end of Chamber Happenings for more information.

Tourist Development Grant Applications

Is your not-for-profit organization planning an event or project that will bring visitors to SumterCounty? Grants are available for new events, advertising and capital improvement. If your organization is sponsoring a project that puts "heads to beds" in SumterCounty, you may be eligible for a grant through the Tourist Development Council. Contact the Chamber office at 352-793-3099 for more information or stop by to pick up a grant application.

Memorial Day Ceremony

The FloridaNationalCemetery will hold its Memorial Day Ceremony on **Monday, May 25, 2009 at 10:00am**. The Guest Speaker will be Thomas G. Brown, Senior Advisor with the U.S. Dept of VA. For further information please

Society at 352-326-9599.

Sumter Christian School is offering a variety of programs over the summer. Their summer enrichment program for ages 5-12 runs from June 8 to August 19th from 7:00am to 6:00pm. Weekly rate of \$50.00 per child. They are also offering Summer School for public and private school students, and accepting enrollment for the next school year. For more information please call 352-793-2358 or visit their website www.sumterchristianschool.com

Summer Job Connection

Sumter County Youth, Non-Profits, Government and certain targeted privated sector businesses (Health Occupations, Math, Science and Technical fields, including Green-Related Industries) can partner through WorkForce Central Florida for a program that is designed to provide valuable paid employment experience for area youth, while offering participants additional human resources at no cost (youth will be paid by WorkForce Central Florida using stimulus funds).

Applications for both employees (youth 16-24) and site participants are available online at www.WorkforceCentralFlorida.com/SummerWork.

Advertising/Sponsorship Opportunity

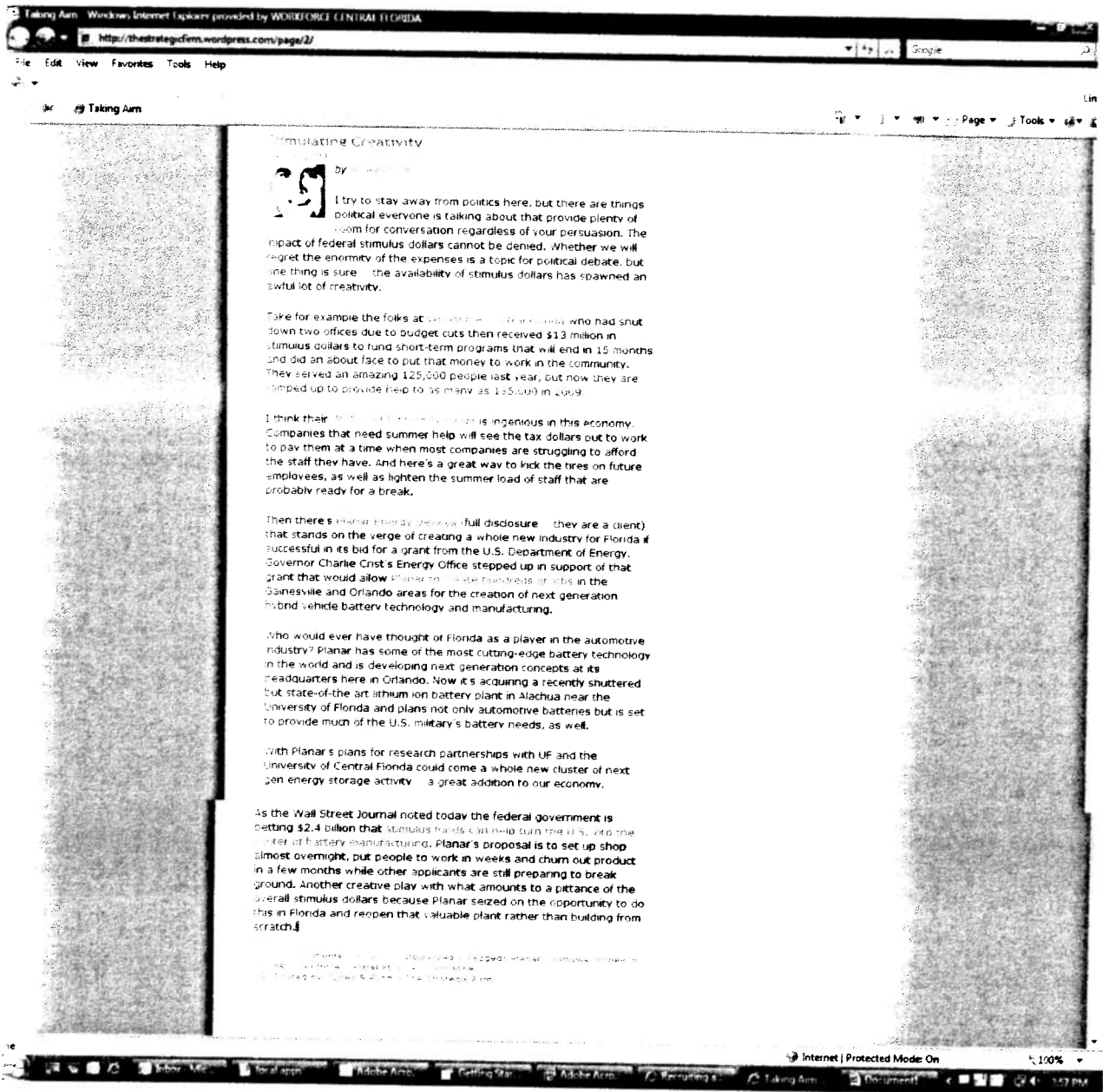
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Workforce Central Florida Summer Internship Program

Sunday, 26 April 2009

With more than \$3 million in stimulus funds under the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act, WORKFORCE CENTRAL FLORIDA (WCF) has created the Summer Job Connection, a program that will pay the wages of 1,200 economically disadvantaged young adults ages 16 - 24 to work with local employers. WCF will pay the wages of the young adults in the program, who may work up to 35 hours a week at \$8 per hour for six weeks (about 100 participants will also work in a 28-week program in select targeted industries).

WCF is searching for companies in STEM, green industries, emerging industries, and healthcare, as well as nonprofit and government organizations to apply. We were wondering if it would be possible for you to share this information with your company HR department.

Anyone who is interested in being a part of providing today's young adults with employability skills, training and work experience, may find more information or apply at

<http://www.WorkforceCentralFlorida.com/SummerWork>

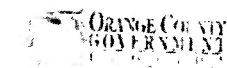
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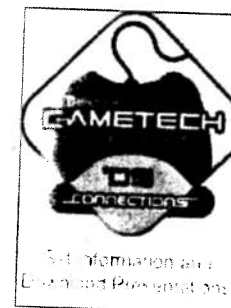
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[CC] 00:23:57 But despite the gloomy outlook there is hope. Here to help us see the light at the end of the tunnel is mberly cornett, vice president of communications and business development for **workforce central, Florida**. Good morning. Let's start with the broader picture here and there's news about the stimulus package and president obama saying 600,000 jobs will be created in the next 100 days. My skepticism and we talked about this during the break, I don't see exactly how the stimulus money is really getting into the **workforce** right now. Again only 5% as I understand it has been spent of it yes, and that's correct. Here locally, actually, 1200 jobs will be created started on Monday the 22nd. > Okay. For young adults. > What are those? Is what types of jobs are those. > Some of them are six-week job opportunities and some of them are 24-week job opportunities. They're in stem occupations, science, technology, engineering and math and also in non-profit opportunities. The purpose was so get the money in th hands of young adults so they can build the economy and build their resume. Essentially, those are summer jobs with an end date. How has the stimulus been effective for adults. > There hasn't been an impact with the stimulus dollars. It's focused on summer jobs now and training scholarship opportunities. Since the unemployment rate is so high and it's kind of a tough market right now, it's a good time to think about going back to school. With the stimulus money also we are able to offer an additional 1400 opportunities for people to go back and train, so that while they're 00:25:37

[CC] 00:25:38 -- in the hopes when they get done training, perhaps the recovery will have created a job for them. Exactly. As far as the adult who does need a job, what's the best way to go about gting hired in this difficult employment environment. Certainly look at job fairs. There's job fairs. There's two kinds right now, the traditional job fair and there's a virtual job fair that's something new coming about. Job fairs are not like renaissance fairs where people are in tights or juggling or selling candy. No? Jt want -- No? Be prepared. Dress for success. Thatoesn't include tights. No. Kids. Don't bring your kids. Follow up with the employers afterwards. We have a virtual job fair at the en of the month to do that. Go to online job banks and network, network, network. Everybody you know, tell them you're looking for a job

and tell them exactly you what are looking for. Can you give us a site as far as an online job bank. >
Workforce central Florida. Com. 00:26:39

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emotional clip about the role the army plays in American life. The army was established 234 years ago to defend our country and they continue the role today. "The army is more than just kicking down doors, it's about taking care of our soldiers, it's taking care of our families, doing things for our community as a whole, and yes it's about fighting wars." 00:26:53

3. WESH 2 News Sunrise

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WESH-TV CH 2 (NBC) Orlando

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00:09:16 Jobs: **Workforce Central Florida's** Job Connection program helps young adults on low incomes find paid summer internships. GR; Job Connection Program. 00:09:37

4. Eyewitness News Daybreak

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WFTV-TV CH 9 (ABC) Orlando

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[CC] 00:47:02 Federal stimulus dollars are helping fund summer jobs for more than a thousand young people. **Workforce central Florida** will hold a job fair starting today. It is not open to the public. The job candidates have been selected to participate. More than 1200 people will attend an orientation today and start the summer jobs that will pay \$8 an hour. 00:47:23

5. Fox 35 News At 6

DMA: 19

WOFL-TV CH 35 (FOX) Orlando

06/15/2009 06:00 AM - 07:00 AM

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[CC] 00:54:13 Also in Orlando, **work force central Florida** kicking off its huge summer job event. The program will provide valuable work experience to 1200 --At 1200 local events. The event is being funded by the recent stimulus package. In Volusia county, the human resources office kicks off its summer food program for children. The program provides full meals for all needy children ages 18 and under. It runs from today until August 14th at 73 sites in the county. 00:54:40

6. Fox 35 News At 5

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WOFL-TV CH 35 (FOX) Orlando

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[CC] 00:17:45 Pay 2-53 at the race track on Sand Lake Road at Kingspointe Parkway in Orlando. And at the Hess on World Center Drive at International Drive in Kissimmee, gas is 2-55. Blog about the low gas prices you find. Just go to the traffic section of my Fox Orlando. Com. Pump patrol is on the right. 3 This morning, Palestinian officials are dismissing a proposal from Israeli prime minister *Benjamin Netanyahu*, calling for a Palestinian state. *Netanyahu* endorsed the idea, but only if the Palestinians didn't have an army, and they would recognize Israel as a "Jewish" state. Palestinians say it's just not enough. And Jewish settlers who live on the West Bank are furious. They could lose their homes if a Palestinian state becomes a reality. 3 About 300-thousand Israelis live in those West Bank settlements. 3 Today, **workforce central Florida** kicks off its summer job connection program. It will give about 12 hundred young adults in **central Florida** paid summer internships. More than 3 million dollars from the stimulus package 00:18:58

7. Eyewitness News This Morning**DMA: 19****WRDQ-TV CH 27 (IND) Orlando****06/15/2009 07:00 AM - 08:00 AM**

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[CC] 00:53:01 Meteorologist eyewitness news is helping you find out who's hiring! The Orlando science center is trying to find a naturalist and a director of education services. Arbor village rehab is hiring certified nursing assistants, nurses, a dietitian, and housekeepers. And triple-a auto club south needs workers at its lake mary emergency call center. For more information on these positions, or to find more job listings from **workforce central Florida**, log onto our website, wftv dot com. Click on the your money section under the news tab. If your company is hiring let us know by emailing us at hiring at wftv dot com. Federal stimulus dollars are helping find summer jobs for more than a thousand young people. **Workforce central Florida** will hold a summer job summitt starting today. The fair is *not open to the public. The job candidates have already been selected to participate. More than 12 hundred people will attend an orientation today, then start their summer jobs that will pay 8 dollars an hour. A hydrogen leak forced NASA to scrub the launch of space shuttle endeavoucoming up, what we learned overnight, about when it could finally lift off from earth. Time now: this is a live look at the 408 at goldenrodwe'll check o o [woman] o early light breaks through o o music and dance calling you o o just need that mountain grown lift o o before you share your gift o o o o now there's rhythm and sound o o making their hearts pound o o the best part of wakin' up, o o is folgers in your cup o good morning, it's 7:56. I'm vanessa echols you're watching eyewitness news on channel 9 and **central Florida** TV 27. In the news this morning, the Los Angeles lakers will leave Orlando this morning, and the nba championship trophy will be on-board the team jet. The magic lost game 5 and the series at the amway arena last night. 00:56:41

8. Fox 35 News At 6**DMA: 160****WOGX-TV CH 51 (FOX) Gainesville****06/15/2009 06:00 AM - 07:00 AM**

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Elene Wilkins Weblog



UCP of Central Florida – Anything You Want to Know

Workforce Central Florida – Summer Job Connection

I am very excited that UCP will be participating in the Summer Job Connection. The program, funded by stimulus funds, is providing over 1200 young adults with local jobs. The purpose, in addition to assisting in stimulating the economy, will be to help youth develop employability and work readiness skills and expose them to new experiences.

For UCP, it means we will have 53 extra "hands" this summer – helping out in the classrooms, in the office and with our development and volunteer programs. This will be a tremendous assistance to us!

Yesterday, Jesenia, Ruth, Joanne and I participated in the orientation and job fair. While we were in our training, the youth were given training on how to interview and "sell" themselves. Then, over 750 youth from Orange County descended on the ballroom! There were over a hundred other non-profit agencies recruiting candidates as well but many of the youth had a "plan" and were particularly excited about the idea of helping to make a difference with our kids. We only had a short time period to meet and select candidates – but we had a great system! We were very impressed with the enthusiasm and professionalism that the candidates had and quickly filled all our positions! We had many disappointed kids who didn't get there in time though!

The youth will start on Monday with a comprehensive orientation program that we have designed and then on Tuesday will be out in their job sites!

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WCF event in Osceola County today.

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WorkForce announces Summer Jobs Connect



Young adults and employers may now apply for WorkForce Central Florida's Summer Jobs Connection, an employment program funded by more than \$3 million in stimulus funds under the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act.

The program will provide valuable work experience for 1,200 young adults in local jobs starting June 22, which in turn, will have an immediate financial impact on the local economy.

Participants will earn \$8 an hour, and most will work up to 35 hours a week for six weeks. About 100 out-of-school young adults will work in targeted industries for up to 38 weeks.

Participants will be placed in employment opportunities with nonprofits, government agencies and targeted private-sector employers in Orange, Osceola, Lake, Seminole and Sumter counties.

Young adults ages 16-24 who live in Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Lake and Sumter counties who are economically disadvantaged are encouraged to apply for the program.

For more information or to apply, visit workforcecentralflorida.com/summerwork. No-cost computers with Internet are available at all WorkForce Central Florida Resource Rooms at 5166 E. Colonial Dr.

A limited number of opportunities are available for longer work assignments with targeted industries (health care; STEM: science, technology, engineering and math; green industries/jobs; emerging). All employers are encouraged to apply; priority may be given to nonprofit, government and targeted industries in for-profits.

WCF is the region's workforce expert, helping over 4,000 employers connect with more than 47,000 job seekers.



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[CC] 00:24:36 Covering your money tonight, so many people are on unemployment right now the state could soon run out of money to give them. Right now the state has \$534 million in the unemployment fund. But it's paying out 65 million every week. Channel 9's melonie holt explains how the state plans to avoid running out of money. It's been rocky but steady. Reporter: jasmine is filing for unemployment for the first time. It's kind of sad but, you know, in the long run find work. Reporter: a lot of folks are hoping things work out in the long term. Is week 300 people filed into **workforce central Florida** office to file --To file for benefits. A week ago there was 534 million in the fund and 560,000 floridians drawing unemployment. At this rate, the trust fund will be empty by August. Then the state will ask the feds for an interest fee advance to make sure unemployed floridians get their benefits on time. Sinesses will be asked to increase future contributions to the trust fund. Six weeks then back unemployed. Reporter: marcia thompson would like nothing more than to get off and stay off unemployment. She was a first year special education teacher before she was laid off. Her most recent position was working for the census bureau. When you are laid off again, it's hard to get in the system where you didn't want to be in the first place. Reporter: she and hundreds of thousands of floridians are counting on it being there. Melonie holt, channel 9 eyewitness news. 00:26:03

2. Fox 35 News At 7

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[CC] 00:38:33 Right now getting a job is but **workforce central Florida** not the easiest thing to do, are trying to change that. Here is **kim cornett** with **workforce central Florida**. Good morning. Good morning. Tell us about this program that helps young people get jobs. Sure. Funded by the stimulus

dollars, we created a program where we created full day training for them, and connected them with summer internships where they'll have between six and 28 weeks of internship experience with local companies. They've already been picked. Have they started yet? They start Monday. What else is available? Great. You have a couple of programs people need to know today that could help. Yes. We have an additional 1300 scholarships. If anyone is unemployed and still looking for work, they can come to us and possibly we can help them go back to school and learn a new skill. That's everybody? Everybody. Not just young people? Not just young people. How many money? Between \$2,500 and \$5,000. Really? 00:39:31

[CC] 00:39:34 Yeah, depending what they're interested in going back to school for. Also, there's a job fair you have coming up, too. Tell us about that. A virtual job fair house. It's 24/7. Starts Monday and runs through Friday. We have out 50 employers that will be participating. If they don't have a computer, they're welcome to come to our offices. You have a lot going on for folks who need jobs, not just young people. If they want more information, go to myfoxOrlando. Com. We'll link you to **workforce central Florida**. **Workforcentral** Florida. Com. Easy as that. **Kim cornett**, thank you for coming in and telling us about your programs. Thanks, kim. 00:40:15

3. Fox 35 News At 6

DMA: 160

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[CC] 00:56:58 Thank you, cris. Jim knows I'm playing, right? He does. There's a lot more ahead. Straight ahead, do you know of a teenager or young adult looking for a summer job? You have to check out **workforce central Florida's** job connection, and they're going to stop info. 00:57:16

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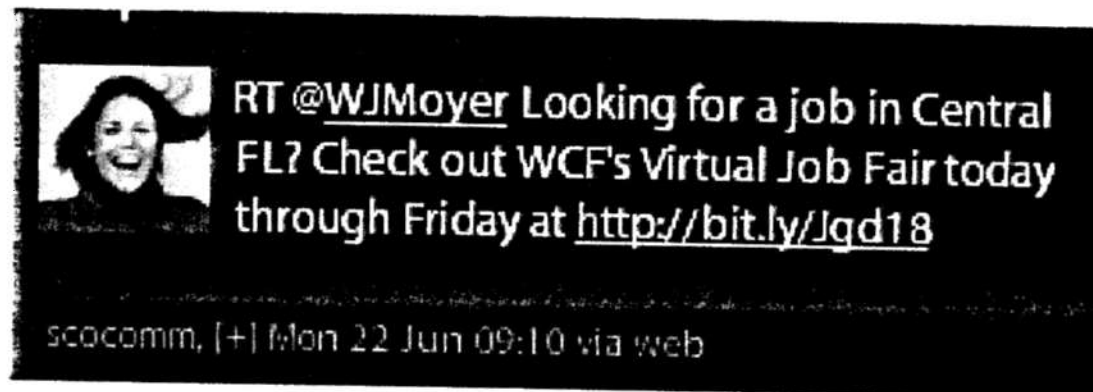
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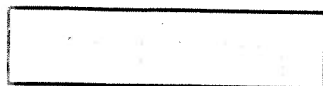
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Summer Job Connection program

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ORLANDO, Fla. (WOFL FOX 35) - The Workforce Central Florida Summer Job Connection program will have an immediate impact on the local economy by providing valuable work experience for 1,200 young adults by placing them in paid summer internships with local employers.

Most Summer Job Connection program participants will work up to 35 hours a week for 6 weeks. About 100 of the young adults will work in targeted industries for up to 38 weeks. Participants will receive payment through Summer Job Connection program. Participants must be between the ages of 16 and 24 must meet federal low-income requirements or have a disability, with priority given to veterans and their spouses.

Congresswoman Suzanne Kosmas (FL-24) will attend the kickoff of Workforce Central Florida's Summer Job Connection program. The employment program was funded by more than \$3 million in workforce development funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

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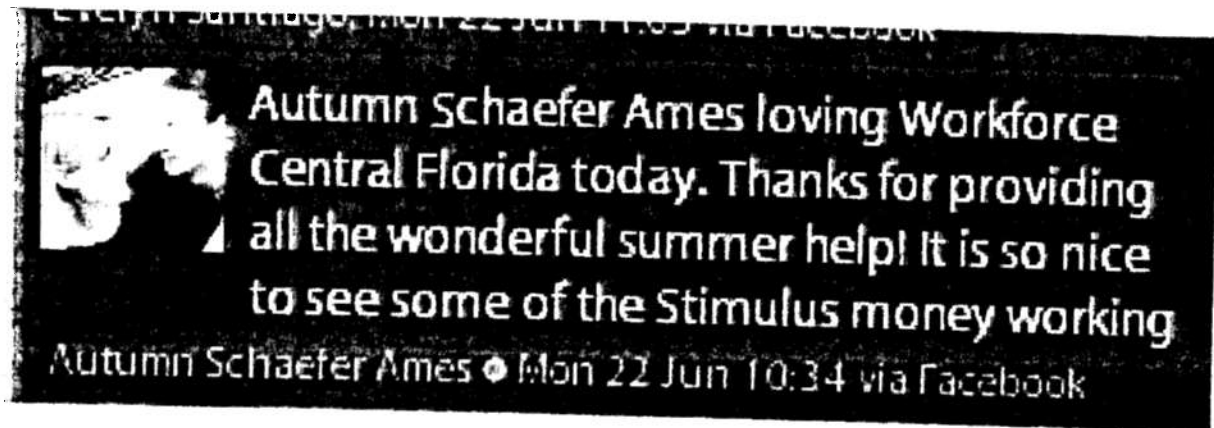
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IKEA Red Chair Affair Chair Auction Application

Building on the success of last year's participation in the IKEA Red Chair Auction, we are asking cultural organizations, local personalities and corporations to decorate a chair to be auctioned during the Red Chair Affair. The idea is to make your chair unique and personal so please be creative. In years past, the organizations also provided "incentives/packages" to enhance the value of their chairs. This year we want to increase the creativity and incentives for our audience by offering EXPERIENCES! This could be anything from a role in a play, to the ability to conduct the orchestra, or a one on one with an artist, dinner with an executive director, a backstage tour . . . your sky is the limit. While we cannot guarantee that everyone will be able to participate this year, our goal is to select organizations that will offer UNIQUE chairs and EXPERIENCES for our bidders. The most qualified entries will represent the variety and diversity of cultural offerings in central Florida.

Please visit the link below and read the criteria carefully. Then, submit your ideas keeping the requirements in mind. We need your information by **July 6th**.

[Click Here to Submit Your Information](#)

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions!

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Red Chair Affair 2009: Evening of September 19th, 2009 at Bob Carr

Job Opening at the Alliance

Job Description: Contracted Sales Director

Status: Contracted Position; **Reports to:** Executive Director

Summary: This position is responsible for sales and management for the Orlando Arts Getaways (OAG) program, managed by the Alliance. General responsibilities include: Development and sales of packages through the program, extensive computer responsibilities (including Microsoft Office Suite), multitasking, developing and refining relationships with arts and cultural organizations, local hotel/restaurants and group sales contacts.

For full details visit the alliance callboards [here](#). **Applications should be submitted by Wednesday, July 8th, 2009.**

No phone calls please.

Summer Interns and Phone Calls

The Summer has brought new workers to the Alliance and Red Chair Project.

Colby Carson, who is pursuing his Master of Arts Administration degree from the Florida State University, will be with us through mid-August. He will be working with the IKEA Red Chair Auction, as well as helping maintain the website, and working with many other aspects of the Red Chair Affair, the Alliance, and our website.

Andrew and Benna are area high school students who have joined our ranks via Workforce Central Florida. They will be with us through the end of July. Both Andrew and Benna are working with Christina to update our site, mailing lists, and events. As part of their work they will be making phone calls to organizations and venues associated with the website to verify and update information. If you receive a phone call please take a few moments to help us keep our records up to date, so that we can continue to maintain and improve the quality of RedChairProject.com.

Christina's Summer Help Hours

It's that time again to update your upcoming 2009/2010 season on RedChairProject.com. As The Red Chair Affair approaches, as a kick off the new season of arts and cultural events in Central Florida, the website will be visited by many interested patrons. We want the new and regular users of our site to be able to see what your organization has to offer in 2009/2010. We need your assistance in continuing to make RedChairProject THE ticket to arts and culture in Central Florida.

Please submit your new season information as soon as possible, using RedChairProject.com. In the event that your season is not planned this far in advance, just update what you have now and update the rest when available.

If you need help with the website, or have any questions regarding the site or using Tix.com, Christina is here for you. This summer she will have special office hours to be available at the Alliance office for you to come by, or call, for help. Thursday 2:00-4:30 & Friday 1:00-4:00. Please send an email to Christina at least 24 hours in advance to secure your one-on-one time with her.

Red Chair Revolutionaries: Updates

The Revolutionaries are 1 year old!! In the past year, they have frequented events such as: JCC's Family Festival, CVB's I-Drive 5K Run, the Orlando Fringe Festival, Winter Garden Music Fest, Disney's Festival of the Masters and so much more! Through these events, we have gathered over 1,000 e-mails to add to our Rewards weekly email list.

Anytime you have marketing materials with your new seasons or any special exhibitions, etc, please bring them by the office so the Revolutionaries are able to promote all that Central Florida has to offer!

If you have any questions or would like more information on the Revolutionaries and their whereabouts, please email Christina.

Statistics

2009 Monthly Average Website Stats		Subscriber Info	
Visits	24,000	Number of Rewards Subscribers	7,924
Unique Visitors	6,200	Number of Reporter Subscribers	2,459

2009 Collaborative Box Office Top Sellers		2009 Collaborative Box Office Stats	
Mad Cow Theatre # of Tickets	70	# of Tickets Sold (without free events)	330
Mad Cow Theatre Ticket Sales	\$1,201.00	Total # of Tickets Sold	3,288
Valencia # of Tickets	53	Total Ticket Sales	\$8,604.06
Valencia Ticket Sales	\$547.95		
Empty Spaces # of Tickets	38		
Empty Spaces Ticket Sales	\$780.00		

2009 Orlando Arts Getaways Stats	
# of People Booked	351
Total Sales	\$47,697

Get to Know the Alliance Staff

Have a question? One of our fabulous Alliance staff members will be happy to assist you.

Autumn Ames, Executive Director

Christina Ruiz, Communications Coordinator

Colby Carson, Special Projects Intern

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Chakenna Chappell (left), 17, and Raundell Jones, 18, photograph gravestones at Winter Park's Palm Cemetery. They are among 27 interns hired by the city through a summer program funded by federal stimulus money.

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By Jeff Kuznerth | SENTINEL STAFF WRITER

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Some of the jobs

Municipal data entry

Update a database of addresses and property owners used by several departments in Winter Park.

Library help

The extra workers provide regular staffers with help in handling the increased demand for free services during hard times.

Cemetery cataloging

Four interns are working to create an online record of grave sites at Winter Park's Palm Cemetery.



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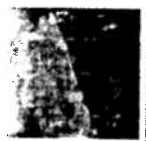
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Summer interns aid non-profits

July 9, 2009



Kennetha Anderson plays with Connor Flynn, 2, at the Winter Park Day Nursery. She's part of a program placing young workers.

Photo by Isaac Babcock — The Observer

By Carmen Carroquino
Guest Reporter

The children sat cross-legged on a colorful rug as they fidgeted restlessly, trying to contain within their small bodies the overwhelming need to play.

Teaching assistants Philip Prioleau and Yaesha Lamarque offered the youngsters sweet treats and quiet, desperate promises that they would get to play a little later if they managed to stay still, successfully turning their frowns into lollipop-filled smiles.

The Winter Park Day Nursery staffers appreciate the extra eyes and ears of the assistants, who are there thanks to a summer internship program run by Workforce Central Florida. More than 30 interns were also placed at the city of Winter Park offices.

As part of the \$4.1 million stimulus dollars awarded to the unemployment office, the Summer Job Connection Program employs 1,100 teens and young adults across Central Florida with 35-hour-a-week, six-week-long internships at one of more than 200 nonprofit employers. Interns receive \$8 an hour.

Another 100 16-to-24-year-olds were placed at private businesses for a 28-week stint at the same rate.

Kim Cornett, spokeswoman for Workforce Central Florida, said in this economy, finding jobs is difficult, but the program gives young people who may have less on their resumes a step up.

"The program is very authentic in giving people the experience of finding a job," Cornett said. "Job candidates mingled with potential employers in a job-fair setting and were employed on the spot after interviews took place."

Anna Currie, human resources manager of Winter Park, said the city of Winter Park has 33 interns from the program who are working to pick up the slack left behind by city job cuts.

"They are a value to us, but in turn it's a wonderful experience for them," Currie said. "With the cutbacks in personnel, we were letting things slide, so it's a win-win for everyone and a new level of efficiency reached."

Judy Nelson, executive director of the Winter Park Day Nursery, said their four interns couldn't be better.

"Things have been going well and working smoothly," Nelson said. "The interns are so impressive that we would hire some of them beyond summer if they didn't already have prior commitments like school."

Prioleau, 20, and Lamarque, 18, both of Orlando, found their love of children to be a perfect match for the Nursery.

Prioleau has some experience in his diaper bag of child-rearing already. He wakes up to his young son every morning and goes to work with children, and is working toward becoming a pediatrician.

"I heard about the program through family," Prioleau said. "For me it was hard finding a job before this, but now this program has become a doorway for helping me out with my future."

Prioleau is the only male working at the nursery, but it doesn't bother him. In fact he said it's fun.

Lamarque — who wants to be a child psychologist — said the program has confirmed her career choice with hands-on learning, giving her the materials to start college at South Carolina State University this fall.

"Being employed by this program is helping me to bring in income, taking financial pressures off my single mom running the household," she said.

Get connected

The Summer Job Connection program offers 1,200 summer positions on a first-come, first-serve basis among 235 employers in Orange, Seminole, Osceola, Lake and Sumter counties. They received 6,000 applicants this year. Visit workforcecentralflorida.com for more information.

Chicago Department of Family and Support Services

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Mayor Daley's Youth Ready Chicago Summer Jobs Program Seeks Youth Applicants, Corporate Partners

The Chicago Department of Family and Support Services, together with its partners After School Matters, the Chicago Park District and Chicago Public Schools, announced they will begin accepting applications for youth summer employment opportunities through Mayor Daley's Youth Ready Chicago Summer Jobs Program.

Youth ages 14 to 24 can log onto www.youthreadychicago.org to apply for summer internships, apprenticeships and jobs in Chicago's public and private sectors. Youth must apply by May 29 in order to be considered for a summer opportunity. Additionally, area businesses seeking to hire a young person for the summer or sponsor a youth employment opportunity through the Youth Ready Chicago program are encouraged to visit the Web site or call 312-743-1590.

"Summer jobs are critical to the overall development of our youth," said Commissioner Mary Ellen Caron, the Department of Family and Support Services. "Through the Youth Ready Chicago Program, we continue to connect thousands of eager and talented youth to meaningful summer opportunities allowing them to gain workplace experience and explore career options."

The Youth Ready Chicago program works to match youth applicants with employment positions based on their skills, interests and experience. Opportunities range from child care to administrative work, hospitality to customer service. Positions may be full-time or part-time and most last 6 – 8 weeks. Youth can be paid hourly wages or receive a stipend.

Opportunities for businesses to participate in Youth Ready Chicago are also available through the program's Corporate Initiative. Companies participating in the Corporate Initiative will be paired with a youth, age 16-24, who has been pre-screened based on employer criteria.

Additionally, at no cost to the employer, youth will be instructed in proper workplace behavior and will be provided with ongoing mentorship. Participating companies are expected to pay minimum wage or above to their youth employee.

Companies unable to hire a summer worker may choose to become a corporate sponsor. A donation of \$2,400 would support a summer job at a community-based organization that could not otherwise afford to hire a youth.

Each year, the Youth Ready Chicago Summer Jobs Program receives more than 40,000 applications from young people seeking summer employment. Last summer, more than 20,000 youth were matched with opportunities in both the public and private sectors.

For more information on Mayor Daley's Youth Ready Chicago Summer Jobs Program visit www.youthreadychicago.org or call 877-587-WORK (TTY: 877-587-9889).

Chicago Mayor Richard Daley's Youth Ready Chicago Program

Application Deadline: July 6th

Start Date: Varies with position

Summer Jobs consist of employment in:

- Public agencies, such as the Chicago Public Schools, After School Matters, the Chicago Park District and the Chicago Department of Family and Support Services
- Businesses big and small, located across the city, from neighborhood restaurants and retail establishments to corporate offices in the Loop
- Nonprofit organizations, such as museums and community service organizations

Slots Available: 7,412

Number enrolled: application dates has been extended — still receiving applications and enrollment.

Lake County, IL: News-Sun

Stimulus funds spur Park City youth summer jobs program

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June 16, 2009

By ED COLLINS SPECIAL TO THE NEWS-SUN

PARK CITY -- Four administrative staff assistants will soon be hired by Park City officials under the Lake County Workforce Development Program.

City Administrator David Alarcon said the City Council has authorized the program to help economically disadvantaged youngsters become employed over the summer. Funding will come through the Lake County Board under the federal economic stimulus program.

Alarcon said the program is designed to provide work experience to youngsters 14 to 24 years of age who have an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) from the school they attend, or have a documented disability.

"This is a great opportunity for four economically disadvantaged youngsters to acquire on-the-job work skills over the summer to enhance their future employability," he said.

Alarcon said Park City officials will train and utilize two of the administrative staff assistants to work in the police department's records section. Two others will be employed in City Hall, one to assist with general clerical responsibilities, and the other to organize summer activities for younger children through the Parks and Recreation Department.

For further details and a job application contact Park City Hall, 3355 Belvidere Road.



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Teens, young adults can learn and earn in ECC job program

Teens and adults ages 16 to 24 can attain valuable on-the-job experiences, serve their community by working on green projects, earn a salary and receive educational resources during a new summer job program from Elgin Community College (ECC).

The program, called "Improving our Environment, Our Community and Ourselves," is offered by ECC Workforce Transitions Department and is funded through grants from the Workforce Board of Northern Cook County and the Kane County Department of Employment and Education via the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Three groups are targeted in the program—in-school teens ages 16 to 18, out-of-school teens ages 16 to 18, and out-of-school adults ages 19-24. Each age group receives a different level of support to achieve success—community service projects and exposure to career opportunities for in-school teens; job search preparation and attainment, and GED® classes for out-of-school teens, work readiness activities for out-of-school adults; and hands-on paid work experience for all enrolled students.

The program runs seven to 10 weeks and begins Monday, June 8 for out-of-school teens and adults. In-school teens begin June 22.

"This program provides life-changing opportunities for area youth and helps them establish a firm foundation to guide future study and employment," said Peggy Heinrich, dean of the Adult Basic Education Division, which includes Workforce Transitions.

Jobs for out-of-school teens and adults include greeters and transporters at area hospitals, various jobs through the Village of Streamwood, and working for Habitat for Humanity at its ReStore warehouse. In-school youth will work as a cohort on green community service projects such as helping to restore an old area schoolhouse and various jobs through the Streamwood Park District.

"This is an up-and-coming field for potential future employment," Heinrich says about green jobs. "Students in the end will increase self-awareness, establish goals for the future and gain valuable work experience."

In addition, two ECC film students will work with the in-school youth to create a mini-documentary about the summer program.

Participants are paid an hourly stipend for participation in on-site classes and receive an hourly minimum wage or a slightly higher wage for their work experience in the program.

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By NORTHWEST HERALD

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Obama: Stimulus Funds Are Already Creating Green Jobs

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Yesterday, President Barack Obama announced the release of a report that provides early incite into role that the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act has played in creating new jobs across the nation.

"In these last few months, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act has saved or created nearly 150,000 jobs -- jobs building solar panels and wind turbines, making homes and buildings more energy efficient," according to Obama. "They're the jobs of teachers and police officers and nurses who have not been laid off as a consequence of this Recovery Act. They're the jobs fixing roads and bridges, jobs at start-ups and small businesses, and jobs that will put thousands of young Americans to work this summer."

The report, entitled Recovery Report: 100 Days, 100 Projects, provides a small sampling of the job creating projects and programs that have been funded by the federal stimulus package to date. Among them are a number of projects designed to create new green jobs by investing in renewable energy, energy efficiency, and environmental conservation.

Here are a few highlights from the report:

"Using \$27 million of Recovery Act funding, a public housing development in Washington, D.C., the Regency House, has undergone a green retrofit. As part of this upgrade, the building installed solar panels, a 'green' roof, a rainwater collection system, energy-efficient lighting as well as water conserving toilets, showerheads, and faucets. The greening of this building will allow the Regency House to save money in energy costs, while lessening their impact on the environment."

"The Housing Authority of Laredo, Texas, has begun using \$1.5 million in Recovery Act funds to implement "green" improvements at a number of older developments. The work will entail installing energy-efficient windows; weatherizing the exterior roofs, vents and siding; installing Solar Attic Fans; installing Solar Security Lighting; and, installing Energy Star Appliances throughout the developments. Combined, these improvements will drive down energy costs for the developments, while also lessening their impact on the environment."

"The Great Smoky Mountains National Park will receive \$64 million in federal stimulus money, with most of the funds going toward roadwork. The park's trails, cemeteries, public restrooms and other buildings also will be improved. The park has already hired its own temporary workers for the projects."

"A federal stimulus grant worth \$17.5 million will fund the development of a solar fuels research center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the university said Wednesday. The five-year grant, which comes from the U.S. Department of Energy through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, will fund research on how to use artificial photo-synthesis to produce low-cost and efficient solar fuels. The research at UNC would study how to use the sun's energy to make fuels from water and carbon dioxide that could be used for heating, transportation or energy storage."

"Elgin Community College, in Illinois, will use Recovery Act funds to create a summer jobs program for

16-to-24-year-olds. The program offers participants a chance to serve their community by working on green projects, earn a salary, and receive educational resources.”

“\$20.6 million in Recovery Act funding is accelerating cleanup at the Iron Mountain Superfund site near Redding, California. These additional funds will make it possible to dredge, treat, and dispose of heavy-metal contaminated sediments in the Spring Creek arm of the Keswick Reservoir, a project originally slated to take three years that can now be completed in 18 months.”

David Anderson is author of the blog [The Green Jobs Report](#)

Thousands of New Jobs 'Created' by Obama's Stimulus Are Summer Jobs for Teens

Friday, May 29, 2009

By Fred Lucas, Staff Writer



President Barack Obama (AP Photo)

(CNSNews.com) - At least 12,000 jobs “created” by President Obama's stimulus package are summer jobs for young people, according to a White House report issued on May 27, 100 days after passage of the \$787-billion American Reinvestment and Recovery Act.

The White House report, “100 Days, 100 Projects,” summarizes various projects on infrastructure, renewable energy and “jobs and job training.”

“In that time, we’ve obligated over \$100 billion dollars, created more than 150,000 jobs and started important projects in every state and territory of America,” **reads the report**, written by Ed DeSeve, coordinator of recovery implementation at the White House.

Much of the information in the report's “jobs and job training” category concerns summer youth programs.

Meanwhile, Republicans critics have cited **Department of Labor statistics** showing that unemployment claims increased by 1.6 million in the first 100 days of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. That's about 16,000 jobs lost per day.

“You want kids in the summer to be off the streets and making a little pocket change, but that kind of job, when it (the stimulus package) was sold, that is not what was contemplated,” Rep. Steven LaTourette (R-Ohio) told CNSNews.com.

“It has been reported, even though we’re 100 days into it, 6 percent [of the money] is out the door,” said LaTourette. “Now that I’m back in the state of Ohio, I can tell you, I meet with the contractors

and the people who have the ability to put people to work and a lot of the contracts aren't even out.”

Earlier this month, an Associated Press analysis of 5,500 transportation projects found that states are planning to spend 50 percent or more per person in areas with the lowest unemployment rather than in cities and towns with the highest unemployment.

The biggest of the youth jobs program is in Cleveland, where 7,000 teens will be employed to work summer jobs through a \$6.4 million program funded by stimulus money. About \$3 million went to support 2,500 summer teen jobs in Riverside County, Calif., according to the report. Another 200 California teens will get summer jobs as a result of a \$465,000 stimulus grant to Yuba County.

More than 1,300 people ages 14-24 in northern Mississippi will have jobs under a youth employment program because of stimulus funds. In Rensselaer County, N.Y., the county will use \$275,000 from stimulus money to hire 400 people for the summer youth jobs program, ages 14-24.

A stimulus grant to the Northwest Wisconsin Concentrated Employment Program will allow 220 teens to be hired for the summer at government agencies, non-profits, small businesses, hospitals and retail stores. About \$441,000 in stimulus money going to the Cenralina Workforce Development Board in Salisbury, N.C. will cover the cost of 126 new employees ages 14-24 for the summer.

While the report did not specify the amount of funds or the number of jobs, it said that Elgin Community College in Illinois received stimulus money to create jobs for 16-24 year-olds to work on “green projects.” Also, stimulus money went to the Rocky Mountain Youth Corps to create temporary jobs for young people ages 19-25.

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**Advocate Lutheran General Hospital partners with Maine Township JumpStart program
to provide local students with on-the-job training**

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Students learn health care job skills at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital

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Workforce Network Update

JUNE 2009



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Workforce Development Department

Summer Employment Opportunities for Youth

Since announcing the availability of over \$600,000 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for summer youth employment opportunities, which will provide summer job opportunities for 300 youth, we've received over 800 applications from young people looking for summer jobs. We've contracted with the Mayor's Youth Corps, Tri-County Urban League, Peoria Citizens Committee for Economic Opportunity, Children's Home, METEC and Vocational Rehabilitation Management, Inc. to provide real life work experiences that give young people an opportunity to earn meaningful wages and learn valuable life skills.

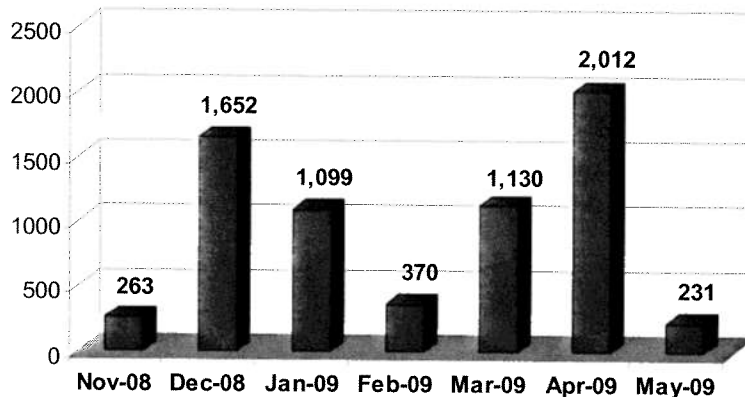
In addition, the **YES (Youth Employment for Success)** program focuses on providing private sector employment opportunities to young people ages 16-24. The YES program welcomes job seekers who have a current resume, are goal oriented and are ready to work.

Workforce Network hosted **Career Connections** each Wednesday in May. Eleven employers and over 400 job seekers participated. Workforce Network is hosting Career Connections June 10th, June 17th and June 24th from 9:00 - 11:00 am. All job seekers are welcome. Job-ready youth between the ages of 16-24 are encouraged to attend.

Central Illinois Layoff Events

Workforce Network's "Rapid Response Team" continues to respond to reports of layoffs and business closings in Central Illinois. Since July 1, 2008, 83 employers have reduced their workforce or closed operations affecting over 7,300 workers. More than half of the companies reducing their workforce represent the manufacturing industry or a related industry such as engineering, logistics and maintenance. The month of May 2009 saw a sharp decrease in reported layoffs; we are hopeful that this trend will continue into the summer.

Layoffs by Month



Workforce Network Career Resource Center Activity

We saw a slight decrease in the number of Career Center customers from April (2,521) to May (2,425) of this year, but we're still experiencing an increase in the number of customers seeking career transition services over the same time period last year. The Workforce Network has five Career Centers where customers can access the internet for job search, career research, labor market information and self-assessments. Staff are also available to review resumes and offer technical assistance. Career Centers are located in downtown Peoria, Manual High School, Lacon, IL, Toulon, IL and Eureka, IL.

As a result of the increased number of individuals needing workforce-related services, we have enhanced the Career Resource Services to include a comprehensive listing of workshops specifically focused on dislocated workers. Check out www.WorkforceNetwork.com for a complete listing of the June Workshops.

YouthBuild Grant Award

The City of Peoria Workforce Development Department was awarded an initial increment of \$687,500 for a three year \$1.1 million YouthBuild grant from U.S.DOL. Through the creation of an extensive collaboration, this grant will provide 48 disadvantaged youth with construction, leadership and life skills training.

Digital Divide Award

The Workforce Network was recently awarded \$50,000 to bridge the digital divide in the community and is offering free computer courses at the Manual Career Center. Please contact Krista McCavitt at 309-495-8959 for more information.

Professional Opportunity Developers

Professional Opportunity Developers (POD) is a networking group for professionals, executives and managers dedicated to improving career opportunities through education, networking and referrals. **POD 2.0** is a similar networking group for experienced workers. POD meets every Wednesday at Noon. POD 2.0 meets every Tuesday at Noon. The meetings take place at Workforce Network, One Technology Plaza, 211 Fulton Street, Suite 300, Peoria. Meetings are informal and no registration is required.

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Peoria's Workforce Network gets funds for job training

By John Sharp
of the Journal Star

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PEORIA —

The city's Workforce Network was awarded \$687,500 in federal grant money Monday to provide disadvantaged youths with training and educational opportunities aimed at energy efficiency.

"We are excited," said Jennifer Brackney, manager for work force development with Workforce Network. "I think it's good for the community and for young people. It's good for this whole concept in moving green technologies forward and green construction forward."

Brackney declined to offer a time for when a program will be established.

"We want to get with the Department of Labor to see where we want to go with it," she said. "We'll put together a plan and implementation program and announce it to (individuals who are) eligible."

The money is awarded through the YouthBuild Grants, aimed at helping out-of-school youths obtain their diplomas or GEDs while providing occupational training in the construction industry, according to the Department of Labor.

Participants in YouthBuild programs include individuals who have been in the juvenile justice system, youths aging out of foster care, high school dropouts and others. In addition to receiving academic and occupational skills training, young people develop leadership skills and participate in community service opportunities, according to the labor department.

Many YouthBuild participants will learn "green" building techniques, help retrofit homes and discover how to help make their communities sustainable and environmentally friendly.

According to a news release from U.S. Sen. Roland Burris, D-Ill., the program provides youths with training opportunities while building and rehabilitating housing for low-income or homeless families.

About \$114 million was given to 183 cities nationwide, including programs in Rockford, Springfield, Chicago, North Chicago and Godfrey. Of that, \$47 million of the total award has been provided from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

It is the first time Workforce Network - which is headquartered in Downtown Peoria - received money from the grant.

"It will expand the activities we provide young people in the community," Brackney said.

Workforce Network's offerings have expanded in recent months, thanks in large part to an influx of economic stimulus money from the federal government.

Tax money from the massive \$797 billion stimulus plan allowed the city to expand its summer employment programs for youths.

The mayor's summer youth program's membership rose to 80 youths, up from 60 last year. Workers within the program began their summer jobs on Monday.

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Youths pick up litter, build sense of pride

By STEPHANIE GOMES
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PEORIA —

From hauling old mattresses out of alleys to picking up cigarette butts off sidewalks, these youths are on a mission to clean up the city.

A group of 80 youths gathered for their first day of work Monday morning as employees of the Mayor's Youth Corps Summer Employment Program, which provides area youth summer jobs.

For some youth workers, such as Jeremy Anderson of Peoria, this job is a necessity. The 17-year-old Woodruff High School senior lives in an apartment and pays his own bills.

"It's been difficult," he said. "I just have to take care of business."

This is Anderson's first year working for the program, which began in 2008. Besides his need for a paycheck, he hopes to make the city cleaner.

"It's where you live, so why would you want it to be a cruddy place?" he asked.

The crew, wearing orange shirts, met at the Public Work's old garage on Southwest Washington Street before they began the season of picking up the city. The youth workers split into two groups of 40 people about 9:30 a.m. before leaving for their routes in 10 white vans.

One group headed toward a pickup route near Kingman Primary School, while the other left for Spalding Avenue near Interstate 74. For the next nine weeks, they will work on alleys and streets south of War Memorial Drive.

Denise Cargill, a physical education teacher at Woodruff, started the morning by leading her team in an alley near Northeast Perry Avenue. They began picking up branches and piling them on the curb, where they will be collected and turned into mulch.

During last year's program, youths collected 29.11 tons of solid waste and 17.56 tons of weeds and branches, according to Dave Barber, director of Public Works. After the success of last year's program, Cargill is looking forward to the weeks ahead.

"I had a great crew," she said. "We ended up being a family."

The program increased its job positions from 60 to 80 for the summer. It also received more than 817 applicants, but only 140 qualified for the program, according to Brien Dunphy, coordinator of the program.

The city's Workforce Development Department, which funds the program, was in charge of the qualification process, and participants were chosen based on requirements such as their families' income levels, among others. The qualified youths were interviewed before the final group was chosen.

"I don't think any of us thought that it was going to be as successful as it was,"

Cargill said, adding that the workers are also taught life lessons.

Last year, team leaders took participants to open savings accounts and took them on a tour of Caterpillar Inc.

Added Mayor Jim Ardis in a statement: "Our program benefits the kids by providing a good job and a learning opportunity. It also helps the community to be litter free, clear of weeds and more visually attractive."

Their efforts did not go unnoticed. In fact, people often thank the groups, according to Cargill. Charles Lefore was with his 2-year-old son near his home on Northeast Glendale Avenue when he noticed the workers in his neighborhood.

"It's pretty nice that someone's around here picking up," he said.

Esterica Phillips is a member of Cargill's team for the second year. At 17 years old, the senior at Richwoods High School is expected to purchase most things for herself.

"It's hard to find a job," she said. "It helps to buy my school clothes and school supplies."

The crew will continue to work their way up Prospect Road toward War Memorial Drive in the following weeks, said Dunphy.

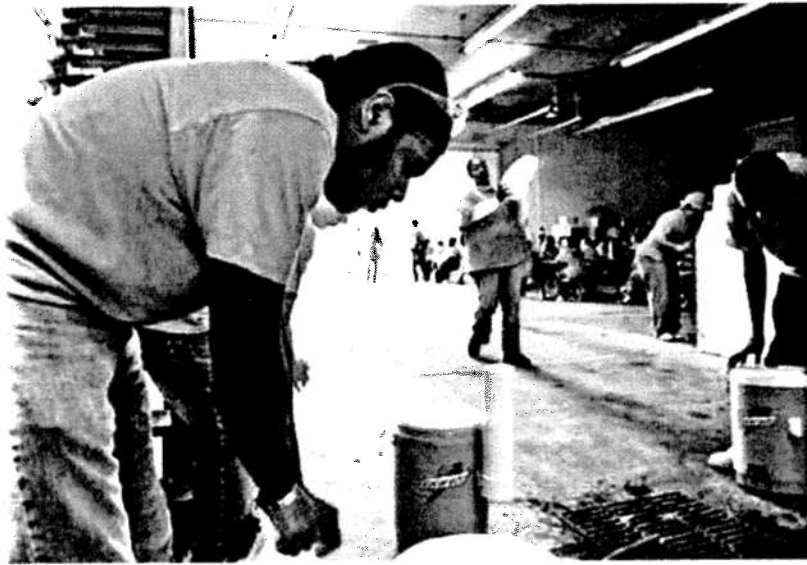
As a mom of two teenagers, Cargill treats the members of her team as her children and offers them advice that her grandfather once gave her;

"I don't care what the job, you should have the pride and integrity to do your very best," Cargill said.

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Nikita Newell, foreground, helps clean up an alley with her fellow workers in the Mayor's Youth Corps Summer Employment Program -- from left, Jacoby Russell, Tatianna Veazy, Esterica Phillips and Trevon Miller.



Jeremy Anderson, left, and other members of the Mayor's Youth Corp Summer Employment Program load up with ice water Monday for a day of work.



Nikita Newell pulls a mattress from an alley between Northeast Perry Avenue and Northeast Glendale Avenue on Monday, the first day of the 2009 Mayor's Youth Corps Summer Employment Program. Eighty teen workers spread out around the city for nine weeks of work.



TyMarkus Moore talks with friends in the Mayor's Youth Corp Summer Employment Program as the workers wait for vans to transport them to work sites Monday.



Mayor's Youth Corps Summer Employment Program worker Jeremy Anderson carries and armload of brush Monday.

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June 15, 2009

Low-income, unemployed find summer work through DNR

Laurie Wink

The last in a series.

CHESTERTON - While some young people are scrambling to find summer jobs, several thousand Hoosiers are working for the **Indiana** Department of Natural Resources.

Using federal stimulus funds, Gov. Mitch Daniels has created the Young Hoosiers Conservation Corps to put low-income, unemployed 16- to 24-year-olds to work sprucing up **park** facilities.

It's an updated version of the Depression-era Civilian Conservation Corps that's giving a boost to **state** property managers such as Brandt Baughman and Doug Stukey at **Indiana Dunes State Park** north of Chesterton.

Baughman and Stukey are directing 80 participants in five groups, or waves, this summer. Each group starts at a different date, from June 8 to Sept. 21, and works for 16 weeks. Small clusters of about six YHCC workers shadow one of 11 **park** employees, who assign tasks such as grooming trails, rehabilitating equipment, grooming beaches and serving customers at **park** entrance booths.

"We're taking a broad band of people with different abilities and skill levels," Stukey said. "Some have graduated from college and others have criminal backgrounds and no high school diploma."

The YHCC members qualify because of low incomes or barriers to employment, including a poor work history, according to Tammy Stump, coordinator of youth programs at the Center for Workforce Innovations in Valparaiso, where the program is administered.

"It's a great opportunity for youth to learn about the DNR," Stump said. "It exposes them to different career opportunities within the DNR."

Beyond placing extra workers in the **park**, Stukey sees the YHCC program as an opportunity to mentor young people who may have had a rough start in life.

"Someone has to give them a great experience," he said.

During a five-hour orientation, participants learn about personal safety, harassment and life skills. It's not for everyone, Stukey said.

"I've had to terminate some who were not following policies and procedures," Stukey said. "Some things people have done are pretty surprising."

Sheri Ruge of Portage WorkOne is the link between YHCC participants and DNR staff at the **state park**. She's gotten to know them and has seen them enjoy the opportunity, as well as the \$8.50 hourly wage.

"So many of the kids have never been here (the **park**)," Ruge said. "A couple (of them) from Michigan City had no idea where the **state park** was. I'm amazed how many have not left their own community."

One who admits she's "not really a nature person" is Gina Bondi, a single mother living in Chesterton with sons Joseph, 5, and Julius, 3. Before joining the YHCC, she hadn't worked for a year. On Friday, she completed her first week at the **park** and said she's enjoying it.

Bondi is holding her own on a mostly male road crew. She's shoveled sand out of the parking lots and sidewalks and moved garbage cans. She donned waders to dig out a ditch and saw her first fox. Bondi is sharing the experiences with her sons.

"I come home and they say, 'Mom, what did you do today?'" she said.

YHCC member Karl Smith, who just moved from La Porte to Michigan City, said his last trip to the **state park** was an elementary school field trip.

"There are a lot of wild animals I didn't know existed here," Smith said, mentioning crawdads and lizards. "We see foxes and raccoons every day."

Smith enjoys getting compliments from visitors about the **park's** cleanliness. While cleaning up the beach, he's noticed some visitors can be slobs.

"People are just disgusting," Smith said. "I didn't think people treated **parks** like that."

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***** MEDIA ADVISORY *****

Mayor Menino Lauds John Hancock, The Boston Globe and Boston University for Expansion of Boston's Largest Corporate Summer Jobs Program for Teens

*"MLK Summer Scholars" Will Benefit More Than 600 Boston Youth, a 20% Increase
Partners HealthCare Joins as Latest Supporter*

Mayor Thomas M. Menino and Police Commissioner Ed Davis will join John Hancock Chairman and CEO John D. DesPrez III, Boston Globe Publisher P. Steven Ainsley and Boston University President Dr. Robert Brown at Boston University's Marsh Plaza to kick off the second year of a teen summer jobs collaboration.

John Hancock, the Globe and Boston University have worked to expand summer employment opportunities with Hancock providing more than \$1,000,000 in funds, the Globe contributing organizational support and in-kind services and Boston University providing the educational setting and resources to support more than 600 jobs throughout the city – 100 jobs more than last year. Partners HealthCare has become a new supporter. MLK Summer Scholars is the largest corporate supporter of summer jobs in the city this year, and is believed to be the largest corporate program of its kind in the country.

WHAT: Kickoff of MLK Summer Scholars Summer Jobs Initiative

- Mayor and Police Commissioner to discuss jobs/leadership initiatives
- John Hancock CEO and Boston Globe Publisher to share role of corporations and details of MLK Summer Scholars
- Boston University President to discuss commitment to educate and prepare youth
- Teen participant to share personal experience

WHO: Mayor Thomas M. Menino

John DesPrez, President and CEO, John Hancock Financial Services
P. Steven Ainsley, Publisher, The Boston Globe
Dr. Robert Brown, President, Boston University
Rhonda Edwards, summer jobs program participant

Approximately 200 teens who will be participating

WHEN: Wednesday, July 8, 2009
11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: Boston University's Marsh Plaza, 735 Commonwealth Ave
(If Rain: The Backcourt, BU's George Sherman Union, 775 Commonwealth Ave.)

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City program helps teens find summer jobs

By **ON THE JOB** Hanah Cho hanah.cho@baltsun.com

May 29, 2009

Imagine looking for a job as a teen in this economy. Teens face bleak prospects as they compete against a growing number of unemployed adults with experience and marketable skills.

For more than a decade, teens in Baltimore have turned to the city's YouthWorks program, which provides hands-on experience and opportunities to explore different careers.

City officials believe the program is more important than ever because of this recession. Consider the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for 16-to-19-year-olds: It reached 21.5 percent in April, compared with 15.4 percent a year ago. The jobless rate for that age group was the highest since 1992.

"It's never great, but the current economy has had an impact on those folks who are on the margins, anywhere, whether it's teens or low skills or folks who have criminal records," says Karen A. [unclear], director of the city's office of employment development. "They're hit hardest when too many people are looking for jobs."

Demand for YouthWorks has grown steadily over the years, so much so that the city turned away 1,200 youngsters in 2007. That year, the program obtained jobs for about 5,400 youngsters.

Last year, YouthWorks found jobs for about 6,500 students, meeting Mayor Sheila Dixon's goal of not turning away anyone who applied for the program. (Despite making deep cuts in city services because of the recession, the mayor's budget that takes effect July 1 calls for slightly increased funding for the program.)

This year, Dixon expects participation to reach 7,000 youngsters.

"Of course, it allows them to earn money for the summer and do things they choose to do outside of school," said Dixon. "Experience is the top priority in exposing them because some young people don't have that kind of experience and exposure to help them make decisions for the future."

Businesses will spend \$1,400 to sponsor students ranging in age from 14 to 21. Students will work 20 hours a week for six weeks beginning June 22 and receive minimum wage. Employers include public and private sector companies, including city and state agencies, nonprofits, retailers, restaurants and law firms, among others.



This year, the city received federal stimulus money that will help fund the summer employment program, which actually will employ people up to the age of 24, Sitnick says. The program expects to employ 100 older workers, who will be placed at various work sites as assistants to supervisors and as mentors to younger workers, she says.

Dixon spokesman Scott Peterson expects to get one YouthWorks worker, a Howard University student, in his media relations department.

"I'm very excited to be able to have her. I always need help," he said. "At the same time, I think it'll be a great opportunity for me to mentor and have someone to really look out for ..."

Dixon will kick off this year's program at the Reginald F. Lewis Museum on June 17.

The program is still accepting tax-deductible donations and signing up employers. Call (410) 335-6722 or visit www.oedworks.com.

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Fed, Local Funding Helps 7,000 Teens Get Jobs

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BALTIMORE -- Baltimore is hoping to stimulate its economy by putting thousands of young people to work this summer with the help of the federal government.

The city is set to offer short-term, mostly government jobs to about 7,000 young adults who might otherwise be on the streets this summer.

Those who signed up showed up for a kick-off ceremony Wednesday with the mayor and other top officials.

"It's more money in my pocket and I can give it to my mother more so she can have it for herself," said one young worker."

- A Young Worker

"I'm in the Department of Transportation, so basically what we do is go out on the crew trucks and we go clean up the streets of Baltimore," said one teen girl.

Many of the jobs are being funded with more than \$6 million in federal stimulus money. The rest is coming from national and local sponsors.

"There are a lot of supporters here who do so much behind the scenes and who help to make the summer in Baltimore productive and really meaningful to many young people," said Karen Sitnick of Baltimore Youth Works.

Some sponsors include Giant Foods and Colgate Palmolive, a long-time supporter that showed up with its yearly check.

"Over the years doing this program -- 15 years in different cities -- we've given more than \$2 million," said supporter Diane David.

The summer workers said they hope to earn the money soon and put it to good use.

"It's more money in my pocket and I can give it to my mother more so she can have it for herself," said one young worker.

"I actually need it this year because I need to save up some money to go to college because I'll be starting college in August," said another teen.

Mayor Sheila Dixon, who promised to visit job sites over the summer, recalled her days as a teenager drawing a city check.

"I worked at a camp, and then in high school, I was able to continue to work in the program," she said.

She said she hopes the program will eventually steer more city youth toward permanent jobs.



Eagleview First Week Boutique: A teen-run business for the community

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SQUAW LAKE – The Eagleview Community Foundation in Squaw Lake recently decided they wanted to get teens more involved in the community. Toni Wilcox, mayor of Squaw Lake, set to work on setting up a teen-run consignment and local art store.

"I wanted to give teens something the community could say 'wow' about," she said.

Through a grant, the foundation had enough money to start the project. However, they did not have enough money to pay interested teens for their time.

"We needed an incentive," Wilcox said. "We planned on giving out rewards, but we needed more. We knew a paycheck was what we needed."

Wilcox and the rest of the foundation found salvation in the Northeast Minnesota Office of Job Training's Summer Youth employment program. The program is designed to assist 14- to 20- year-olds in discovering skills they have to offer in the work place. Better yet, students employed through the Summer Youth employment program are paid by the Office of Job Training. Supervisors receive free labor in turn for taking on teen workers.

Shelby Roosdett, 17, heard about the Summer Youth work opportunity from her principal at school. She quickly filled out an application and sent it in to Grand Rapids Career Counselor Judy Lundquist.

"I felt like it was one of those opportunities I just had to sign up for," she said. "It's hard to find work around here, especially for kids."

Michael Anthony Ingman, 19, also applied for the program.

The teens quickly realized that they had found a job unlike any their peers had for the summer. They were going to open their own store: Eagleview First Week Boutique.

According to Wilcox, the youth have been involved in every step of planning the business. They have contacted consigners around the state to help them stock their store. They have also assisted in writing business plans and leases, and earlier this month, Roosdett presented their business plan to the Squaw Lake City Council. Ingman joined, for moral support.

"Toni helped us write our presentation, but I was still a little nervous," Roosdett said.

Despite her nerves, Roosdett presented the business plan in a way that must have impressed the council. The Eagleview First Week Boutique project was approved.

Since then, the teens have been working as much and as quickly as possible to get their store ready. The group opened their Highway 46 doors on July 1.

"We [had] one month to get from nothing to open," Wilcox said.

With guidance from the Small Business Association, Boys and Girls Club of America and the Northeast Minnesota Office of Job Training, the teens have progressed smoothly. Wilcox says each of her employees has taken on different, unique tasks.

"Both girls are enjoying choosing what clothing items will go in the store," she said. "Michael Anthony seems to prefer hauling boxes on those days."

The teens believe they have gained valuable work skills through the program. Among the benefits, they list business ownership skills, financial projection abilities, and communication skills.

"I am learning tons about business management while working here," Roosdett said. "It's perfect, because I plan to major in business management in college. I think this job will put me a step ahead of the other kids at college."

Like his coworker, Ingman also hopes to one day own his own business. Aside from the experience, he says he most values the fact that he is being productive at work.

"This is a good learning experience," he said.

As mayor of Squaw Lake, Wilcox is in close contact with the city's business owners, many of whom work with teens.

"They always tell me how lucky I am to have such good workers. They ask me how I found them," she said. "But it was just luck of the draw. The program sent me great kids."

As lucky as Wilcox was to find the right youth to help open the Eagleview First Week Boutique, the teens know they are lucky to have found the program that brought them to the boutique.

"Our job is so unique," Roosdett said. "We are teens opening our own store. How many other kids can say that?"

Eagleview First Week Boutique is open the first through seventh day of each month and may be reached at (218)659-4257.

Hibbing youth prepare for work program

HIBBING – Summer has officially begun, and for local teens that means summer work has begun. 28 local teens gathered at the Hibbing Workforce Center early this week for an orientation to the Northeast Minnesota Office of Job Training's Summer Youth work program. The program is designed to assist 14-24 year olds in realizing what skills they have to offer in the workplace.

At the morning orientation, the teens appeared eager to begin working. This desire reflects a growing trend in St. Louis County's general workforce, as a recent survey by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics calculated the county's unemployment rate at 10.2 percent, which is higher than the national average of 8.5 percent.

In a job market like this, interest in programs like the Summer Youth program is on the rise, and Career Counselors like Hibbing's Missy Evenson and Shannon Nordby are feeling the pressure to locate jobs for participants.

"We have so many people applying," Nordby said. "It's like, where do you put them? It's been tough to find [worksites]."

Despite setbacks, the Hibbing counselors have found jobs for all the teens in attendance at the program orientation. Participants in the summer program will be working at sites varying from the Salvation Army to area schools to the Hibbing Chamber of Commerce. Jobs range from clerical work to lawn work and janitorial work.

Evenson and Nordby led the program orientation, which focused mainly on the program's rules. The program asks participants to follow a basic set of workplace rules, in hopes that the youth will be able to hold on to their summer jobs.

"Some of you may not like our rules," Evenson said. "Some of you will probably challenge the rules, and for that you may be terminated. I am laying the rules out for you today, and I expect you to follow them."

These rules mirror employer expectations and include punctuality, respect, and dressing appropriately. Failure to comply with a number of the rules will result in termination. No cell phones or social visits are allowed during work hours.

"Worksites are thankful to have you there," Nordby said. "But they have certain expectations of you as well. Represent our office well."

Job counselors work side-by-side with participants and worksite supervisors to ensure the program runs smoothly and safely.

"I take safety very seriously," Evenson said. "Last summer we had no accidents, and I want a repeat this summer."

Youth involved in the program will be starting their jobs within the next two weeks. In Hibbing, many teens have worked with the program before. No matter their level of experience, all of the teens at the orientation seemed excited and ready for their summer work.

Toshina Miller is one of the participants who has already begun working. Miller, who is working at the Hull Rust Mine View says she is looking forward for tourist season at "the View."

“I’ve had a lot of down time so far up there,” she said. “But my supervisor told me things will start to get busy when it gets nicer.”

The Summer Youth program has a larger number of participants than past summers thanks to new stimulus funding aimed at increasing the number of youth placements in work experience. The additional funding also extends the age limitation from 21 to 24.

Though Hibbing counselors have nearly filled all available youth slots, including the new slots provided by stimulus funding, they are still looking to take on more youth. During the Summer Youth orientation, Nordby was quick to remind attendees the importance of the program’s rules and the program itself.

“You are lucky and qualified to be here,” she said. “You might not believe it, but you are. If you decide not to follow the rules, we have tons of other people applying to be where you are right now.”

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AREA YOUTH PRESERVE HISTORY

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If you are interested in more information about the youth program, or any other program offered by the Northeast Minnesota Office of Job Training, please call 1-800-325-5332, or visit the website at www.jobtrainingmn.org. Hibbing Career Counselor Missy Evenson can be reached at (218)-262-6777.

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Garrett Johnson hauls wood at the Greyhound Bus Museum in Hibbing. Johnson, 18, has worked the past two summers at the museum through the Northeast Minnesota Office of Job Training's Summer Youth employment program.



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Area youth preserve history

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Stimulus aids young workers

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administered by the Minnesota Valley
Action Council and told them where
she'd like to work. Among her top
choices was child care, and she was
given an interview at Little Stars Early
Learning Center, where she now
works.

Federal stimulus money is helping
about 375 people in south-central

Minnesota get jobs this summer,
about three times as many as usual
(full disclosure: The Free Press has
one youth employed by the program),
about \$1.2 billion is earmarked for
the program nationwide. Youth aged
14 to 24 are eligible.

"Without the help of this program,
I wouldn't have been able to get a job
this summer," Petersen said as she
rocked an infant to sleep in her lap.

There is no cost for the employee,
and the employees are paid the new

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Petersen, 16,
plays with 4-
year-old niece
during a little
break early
Learning
center in
Minneapolis.
Petersen is
part of a
stimulus-
funded
program that
helps youth to
work during
the summer
months.

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WORKERS: Program has waiting list

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minimum wage of \$7.25 an hour, which takes effect for other workers on July 24.

To participate, youth used to be low-income or be disabled and have an additional risk factor, including dropping out of school, being homeless, being in foster care, being pregnant, having a criminal past, limited English skills or chemical dependency.

Each of the teenagers spending their summer at the Stars has baby-sitting experience, owner Collette Hertzke said. The program is a good way to give young people a taste of the field of their choice — either to build a resume or to find out that it's not for them.

The other girls like working with Lexis so far.

Angie Baker, 18, likes
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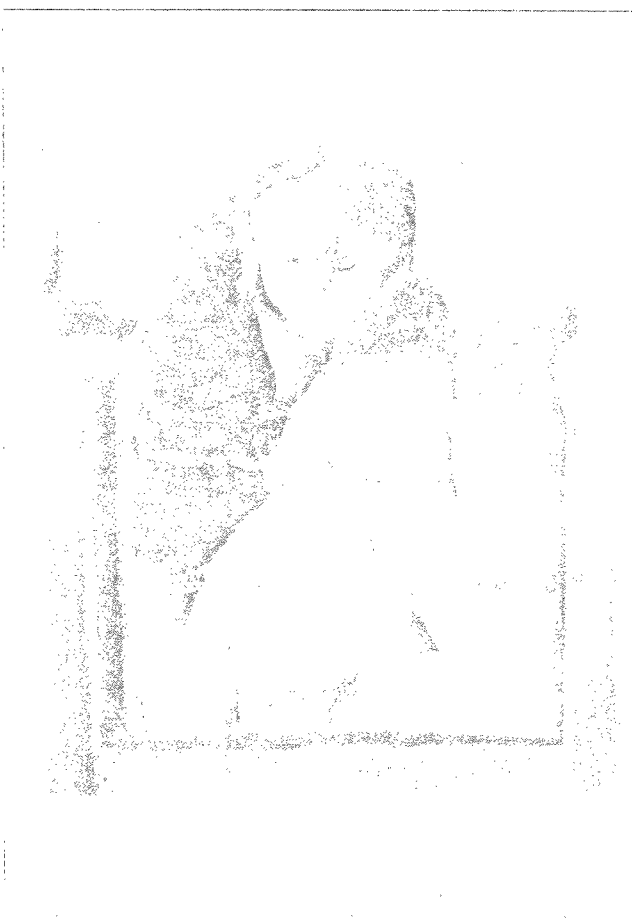
Melissa Mimes, 7, likes hanging around the energetic preschoolers and will most likely be a great baseball player.

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John Cross

Trige Baker, 18, leads 2-year-old Maddie Janzen through a playground. She said her friends tell her it's hard to find jobs, and she's happy to work with Mrs.

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But that, as she notes, "is up to Aaron" Hatanpa, the agency head.

The boss had some doubts about whether the participants would be a good fit in a business environment, but said insurance companies generate a lot of paperwork and Lindsay is working out well.

The program runs for 10 weeks, but it can spend the stimulus money through the end of September.

Bonnie Stanton, who administers the program for MYAC, said she always expects the youth to work and earn as much money as

They can. But they take vacations, so the program might have leftover spending.

They're still taking applications (go to www.mnvac.org and print out an application or stop by one of their field offices) but there's a waiting list considering more than 800 people have already applied.

Petersen, the 16-year-old Little Stars employee, is thankful for the help she got in securing her first full-time job, but soon learned the working life isn't all paychecks.

"When you come home you're all tired," she said. "It's fun, though."

Pelosi drops in to watch stimulus money at work

By **CHAO XIONG**, Star Tribune

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× More re than 40 young people from a Minneapolis school focused on American Indian empowerment will get summer jobs courtesy of the federal stimulus package.

On Sunday, U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi toured the American Indian Opportunities Industrialization Center and Career Immersion High School to throw a spotlight on that program as an example of how the stimulus money should be spent.

"You certainly are leading the way to the future," Pelosi told participants.

For Dea Garza, 20, summer employment is more than résumé-building -- it's a way to help support her 3-month-old daughter and 18-month-old son.

"This will help me with my career goals to work up the health care ladder," said Garza, a nursing assistant who plans to start studying for a nursing degree this fall. "It has placed me on a solid path to provide for me and my family."

Today, President Obama and Vice President Joe Biden are expected to describe how they will ramp up implementation of the \$787 billion stimulus program.

In a short news conference Sunday, Pelosi, D-Calif., did not address that announcement, answering only two questions from journalists. The school tour and a late-morning fundraiser at a Minneapolis home for two-term Rep. Tim Walz, D-Minn., were off-limits to the news media.

Forty-three students, ages 16 to 24, from the American Indian Opportunities Industrialization Center and Career Immersion High School will earn \$7.20 an hour working 20 hours a week in fields such as information technology, construction and literacy education. The school is among the first organizations in Minnesota to implement programming funded by the stimulus money. It received \$107,000.

When asked about criticism that the stimulus money will help stave off more layoffs, but won't have a huge impact on creating new jobs -- lawmakers' key goal in passing the measure -- Pelosi said programs such as the one at the center will ensure long-term job growth.

"It's a bigger picture," she said of battling unemployment.

The national unemployment rate hit 9.4 last month, the highest in a quarter-century.

Minneapolis Mayor R.T. Rybak, Minnesota House Speaker Margaret Anderson Kelliher, DFL-Minneapolis, and U.S. Rep. Keith Ellison, D-Minn., appeared with Pelosi.

All told, about 500 Minneapolis young people will work this summer because of money from the stimulus package, Rybak said.

The state of Minnesota has received about \$3 billion in stimulus money, not counting competitive grants that will be made available to research institutions, Kelliher said.

"It's going to help retain jobs," she said.

Last week, the Minneapolis City Council approved stimulus-funded projects. One, a \$2 million restoration of the Shubert Theater in downtown, will create several jobs, mostly in construction, said Jeremy Hanson, the mayor's spokesman.

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Youth employment a priority for Minneapolis

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A city program will provide 2,300 youth jobs this summer.

As Minnesotans wait for an economic turnaround, some Minneapolis youth are experiencing what that change could feel like.

The federal government gave the city of Minneapolis \$1.6 million from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for various youth employment programs that will provide 2,300 youth jobs this summer. The STEP-UP program in Minneapolis will be responsible for 1,300 of those jobs for youth between the ages of 14-21.

The money created 500 youth jobs this summer — exciting employment news for the city given Gov. Tim Pawlenty's announced \$300 million budget cut in city, county and local government aid.

STEP-UP funds salaries for youth workers at programs such as The Young Women's Mentoring Program. The nine girls in the program started their first day on Monday at YouthCARE in Minneapolis, learning how to open and manage a bank account among other new skills. China Robinson, 14, said she is excited to teach other people new things.

"I want teaching skills," Robinson said. "I want to be more patient with girls."

The demand for jobs through STEP-UP continues to increase, with 3,200 applications for summer 2009.

STEP-UP Director Tammy Dickinson said that while the demand for jobs is always higher than they can serve, the program continues to help those applicants find employment.

"The \$1.6 million went into funding new projects so that for all of those 2,000 kids that we weren't able to serve, we're trying to fund organizations in the community that will take some of those applicants," Dickinson said. "As a matter of fact, we referred the names of our kids that

applied to the organizations when we funded them.”

The idea behind STEP-UP comes from a bigger initiative Minneapolis Mayor R.T. Rybak created in 2006 called the Minneapolis Promise . The three components of the mayor’s plan are education and career counseling, summer jobs and financial assistance for college.

The mayor’s spokesperson, Jeremy Hanson , said Rybak’s goal with STEP-UP is to provide a higher quality job experience for young people.

“In addition to all of the summer programs that the city has for young people, STEP-UP is special in a couple ways,” Hanson said. “These jobs are privately funded, so the employers are providing their salaries.”

STEP-UP is the city’s largest youth employment program, working with 172 businesses metro-wide . The program places 14 and 15-year-olds in non-profit organizations, while the 16-to-21-year-olds involved are placed with local businesses such as Best Buy and U.S. Bank.

Part of what the Young Women’s Mentoring Program focuses on is younger women of color interacting with mentors who live in their neighborhoods .

Rahma Mohamed, 14, of the Glendale neighborhood in Minneapolis, said she likes getting to interact with the girls she lives near.

“We can learn new experiences from each other,” Mohamed said. “We’re going to learn things here that will make us ready for high-school next year.”

STEP-UP also provides other opportunities prior to the first day of work.

“In addition to summer jobs these students get a job training and life skills program that was certified by the Minneapolis Regional Chamber of Commerce ,” Hanson said. “So on the first day of work they already have training and are prepared so they know what it’s like to work at a bank or a law firm, and to be on time.”

Mohamed said it is nice to be in a program with all young women.

“I hope to get a lot of new learning experiences from the activities and be more out there,” she said. “When you’re with boys you can’t put yourself out there. We feel comfortable asking questions you can’t ask normally.”

The stimulus funding does not go toward for-profit jobs associated with STEP-UP. Funds from the investment were also distributed to Adult and Dislocated Worker Training .

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Jobs for teens get needed jump-start in Dakota County

Stimulus money jump starts jobs for teens in Dakota County

By **KATIE HUMPHREY**, Star Tribune

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With college tuition payments in mind, Max Allen started looking for a second job this summer.

The paychecks from a part-time gig at a sandwich shop didn't go quite far enough for the 19-year-old student from Mendota Heights. He was going to start digging to find something else, but he stumbled upon a pleasant surprise when talking to advisers at Inver Hills Community College: a part-time summer job in the counseling office paid for by the federal stimulus bill.

"It just happened," Allen said. "It was incredible. The job is fantastic."

His is one of about 300 teen and young adult jobs created this summer in Dakota County with \$410,802 from the federal stimulus package. That's the local share of the \$17.8 million sent to the state to generate jobs for disadvantaged teens and young adults ages 15 to 24.

The infusion of youth job funding more than doubles the usual 180 jobs that the Workforce Service of Dakota County funds annually through a state program. The jobs at five public and nonprofit agencies are available to teens and young adults who meet limited-income requirements or have developmental disabilities.

That's particularly helpful at a time when there's increased competition for typical teen jobs at restaurants, retail outlets and parks and recreation departments. In a recent review of teens' employment prospects this summer, the Minnesota State Department of Employment and Economic Development noted that sectors that often employ youth, including leisure and hospitality and full-service restaurants, are among those hardest hit by the down economy.

And parks and recreation staff members from around the metro area note they've seen adults applying for seasonal jobs often held by teens.

"What we used to call summer youth jobs, the fast food restaurants and whatnot, they're being filled with dislocated workers," said Will Branning, a Dakota County commissioner who sits on the local workfo Yet teens are still looking for summer opportunities, full-time and part-time.

Stacy Klein, a workforce development representative at the Workforce Center in Burnsville, said about 40 teens have come in looking for jobs in June, many of them after school let out for the summer.

And applications have been plentiful for the jobs offered through the federal stimulus program.

The Dakota County libraries saw 33 applications in four days when they posted the library shelving assistant jobs. They plan to hire 18 teens to put books back on the shelves this summer, two for each of the nine branch libraries, likely starting next week.

The Dakota County Community Development Agency (CDA), which hired three young adults to help with yard work and maintenance at its properties around the county, interviewed about a dozen candidates.

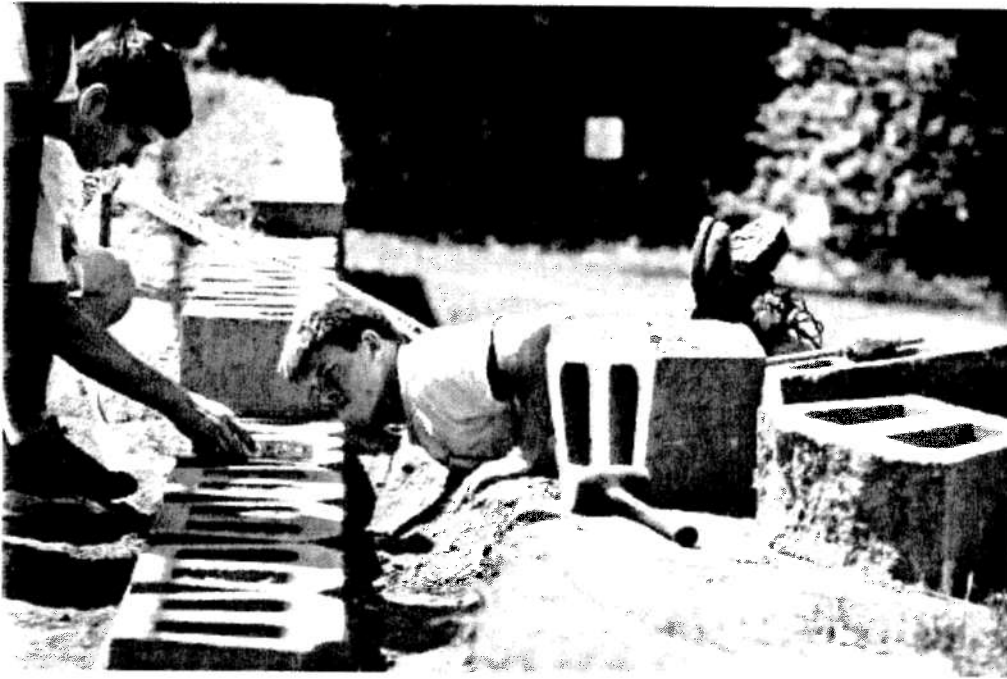
The trio will go through orientation just like any CDA employee, to get a feel for what a real long-term job is like, said Kurt Keena, CDA's director of property management.

"It's not just the employment," Keena said, "It's the experience of being employed."

Allen agrees that's a valuable lesson -- and one he'll remember as he continues to work on his associate's degree at Inver Hills this fall.

"It takes a lot of skill," he said. "It is teaching me how to work in proximity with people and in a professional setting."

Building them up on the job



Jerry Holt, Star Tribune

Joey Welle 17 left helped co-worker Dimitri Johnson 18 level off concrete blocks used on a retaining wall at Groveland Park in Inver Grove Heights. The teenagers were hired by Tree Trust, a non-profit that has been hiring kids into summer jobs for years.

Tree Trust, a nonprofit that has been hiring kids for summer jobs for years, broadened its reach this season thanks to stimulus funds.

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Alex Hernandez had no idea what he would be doing this summer. "Looking for a job," is the best answer the 20-year-old West St. Paul man offered when asked of his plans.

Hernandez's plans changed a month ago when he started part-time work with Tree Trust, the St. Paul-based nonprofit organization that employs at-risk and disabled youths in mostly outdoor work. These days Hernandez is working with a crew building a section of retaining wall at Groveland Park in Inver Grove Heights.

He works alongside Joey Welle and Dimitri Johnson, as the three young men measure and pound and measure with the level again to ensure the wall is straight. All three say they would be not up to much this summer without Tree Trust jobs. Same goes for their crew leader, Abbie Heffelfinger, who will start her senior year at Sarah Lawrence College next month.

"I would have had a hard time getting a job," says Heffelfinger.

The Groveland Park crew members have the federal stimulus funds to thank for their jobs, which came to Tree Trust in a \$1.1 million grant. Tree Trust has been able to hire 1,117 people so far this year for its summer jobs program, compared to 772 for all of last summer.

And the organization is working at more sites, too. In addition to Groveland Park, Tree Trust is working at 41 other outdoor sites, as opposed to 25 last summer. The program also employs people -- typically those with mental or physical disabilities -- in smaller numbers at indoor work locations.

In a summer that has brought so much joblessness to once gainfully employed adults, the problem of teens and young adults finding jobs has been all the more pronounced, says Arika Garg, Tree Trust spokeswoman. "Because of the recession, we're getting more youths who normally would be in different jobs, but there are just not as many of those jobs available for them," Garg said.

For example, though it's been able to provide many more summer jobs this year, Tree Trust's waiting list, at 578, is slightly longer than it was last year, 552. That means youths who don't have a job so far aren't likely to find one with Tree Trust, though there are very limited openings in suburban Ramsey County and Bloomington, says Norm Champ, Tree Trust vice president. "Our recruitment starts March 1, and we generally fill in 2-3 weeks," Champ said.

He suggested that youths looking for work check their local Workforce Center website for special youth programs and opportunities; some have specialized "Youth Zone(s)."

In addition to a paycheck, Tree Trust employees get job training. "We practice calling in sick; we practice packing a lunch," says Heffelfinger. Job hunting and interviewing skills are also part of the package.

If the program is good for the workers, it's also good for the municipal governments that get Tree Trust work. The wall at Groveland Park, for example, will cost Inver Grove Heights only the price of the materials, less than half what it would cost to have it done by an outside contractor.

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\$2.1 million in CDBG dollars for programs St. Paul

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A \$2.1 million community development block grant through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act will pay for summer youth employment, resident home improvements and a library expansion in St. Paul.

The grant will create as many as 500 temporary and permanent jobs and help strengthen neighborhoods and support residents, St. Paul Mayor Chris Coleman said in a statement.

The projects that the grant money would support include adding a computer lab at the St. Paul Public Library off West Seventh Street at 265 Oneida St. to help job seekers; expanding the summer youth employment program to increase the number of participants and provide year-round jobs; securing or demolishing vacant buildings that threaten public health and safety; and providing homeowners with information and incentives to make energy efficiency improvements to their homes.

The grant also will help launch a new public-private partnership, an urban hydroponics farm on Rice Street that will create jobs and provide locally grown produce to area grocery outlets. That project alone is expected to create 40 construction jobs and another 50 permanent jobs in the neighborhood.

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Ryan Stewart, 17, digs out invasive hound's tongue weeds at Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge in Commerce City, Colo. in this photo taken Thursday, June 18, 2009. Stewart signed up for a summer job with the Mile High Youth Corps after failing to find part-time work at fast-food restaurants. He's one of thousands of young people working government jobs this summer paid for by the federal economic stimulus package.

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Teens find summer work in gov't stimulus package

By KRISTEN WYATT
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You know the economy's bad when teens can't get summer jobs at fast-food restaurants or movie theaters.

So thousands are picking up shovels, brooms and trash in part-time jobs paid for with federal stimulus money, which includes \$1.2 billion for youth employment.

"I was looking for jobs everywhere, and no one was calling back," said 17-year-old Ryan Stewart of Littleton, Colo., who applied at McDonald's, Wendy's and other restaurants but heard nothing back. Now he's spending the summer pulling weeds for \$7.50 an hour at the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge just outside Denver.

Stewart is one of 25 extra seasonal youth hired with stimulus funds by the Mile High Youth Corps, an AmeriCorps affiliate. This day's task: uprooting invasive hound's tongue plants from a meadow.

To qualify, workers have to be 14 to 24 years old. They're the part-timers who are often the first chucked from jobs when recession hits. Last month, the national unemployment rate was 9.4 percent. For teenagers, the rate was more than twice that, 22.7 percent.

"It's very, very difficult out there right now for younger workers," said Jeanne Mullgrav, commissioner of New York City's Department of Youth and Community Development. City officials estimate that \$18.5 million in stimulus money will support more than 13,300 summer jobs in museums, parks and camps.

Vice President Joe Biden has said the stimulus will create 125,000 summer jobs nationwide and help keep teens off the street and out of trouble. While that number is murky and largely unverifiable, local officials say they've been overwhelmed by applications for the new part-time jobs. Some agency waiting lists are in the thousands.

"We have definitely been swamped," said Lynn Parmentier, employment coordinator for Summit County, Ohio. The county is using \$193,000 to hire part-time workers, including teens, to provide landscaping and janitorial help for the All-American Soap Box Derby in Akron in July.

"Kids do want to work, but in this economy, it's highly competitive," Parmentier said.

Without the stimulus money, job placement officers say, many young people would be left jobless this summer even as they're being asked to pick up more of the family tab. Out-of-work parents often ask teens to earn their own spending money or help with back-to-school clothes and college costs. Sometimes, the parents themselves are looking for part-time work to make ends meet.

"These young people are competing for their parents' jobs, and in a lot of cases they're supporting their families, too," said Sandra Rodriguez of Capital Workforce Partners, a Connecticut jobs agency.

Labor officials say government subsidies for young workers help the economy in several ways. First, teens are more likely than older workers to spend their paychecks immediately. Also, states can use stimulus money to subsidize internships at private companies, giving the firms some low-cost help.

Internship subsidies are being used in drug stores and auto shops in New York City; insurance companies in Hartford, Conn.; even a high-tech lithium-ion battery producer in Joplin, Mo.

"Because of the assistance financially, we were able to expand our internship program this year even though things are tight," said Creed Jones, vice president for human resources at EaglePicher Technologies in Missouri. The company had 12 engineering interns last summer. It hired 24 this year.

Younger teens are honing future careers, too, even in manual hourly jobs.

Back in Colorado, 17-year-old Del-Rae Collins applied for the Mile High environmental crew only after she failed to get a summer job at movie theaters and grocery stores. Now she's enjoying her time in the field and is considering studying something in the environmental field instead of medicine when she goes to college.

"This is much better" than the hourly jobs she originally wanted, she said. "You're working and learning, too."

The Buffalo News

Mayor's 'Green Team' recruits youths to promote recycling

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Mayor Byron W. Brown announced Monday the formation of a summer youth program aimed at promoting the city's new recycling outreach project. He calls it the "Green Team."

"Increasing our rate of recycling is an important way to reduce our carbon footprint," Brown said at a news conference in Niagara Square. "Our implementation of the Green Team will serve as an effective way to educate all residents, both young and old, on the importance of recycling."

The Brown administration set a goal on Earth Day, April 22, to increase the city's recycling rate, currently at 6 percent citywide. The mayor's goal, he said, is to raise the rate 3 percent by April 22, 2010.

That is still a dismal rate compared with New York State's average of 12 percent, said Green Team Coordinator Dennis Mitchell, a 22-year-old senior at Buffalo State College.

Mitchell said the Green Team, which consists of 100 student volunteers, will split up into five districts and educate Buffalo-area residents about recycling plans, asking them to participate.

The Green Team also plans to frequent high-traffic facilities, such as supermarkets and libraries, to clean the city.

"Even the slightest increase in our citywide recycling efforts can dramatically improve our local ecosystem and quality of life through saved tax dollars and new jobs," Brown said. "Often we say the youth is our future . . . we also hear it said that they are always off making poor decisions. Not today. These students are engaging themselves into this project. This is how we can move forward."

Constance Howard, 22, of Buffalo, said people need to recycle. If the city is going to make the effort, everybody needs to pitch in and do their part.

She said she follows her father's motto of paying it forward, doing something for others and expecting them to do the same.

"You are a resident in this city, and it is your responsibility to take care of it," she said. "Nobody else is going to recycle for us. We need to do this and we need to do this now."

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Giant trees provide shade along a restored pathway through Martin Luther King Jr. Park that was unveiled Tuesday at a ribbon-cutting ceremony.
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Manicured new pathway opens in Martin Luther King Jr. Park

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Buffalo residents can now enjoy a beautifully restored piece of history on the city's East Side.

A neatly manicured, tree-and flower-filled pedestrian pathway in Martin Luther King Jr. Park was unveiled by the Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy during a ribbon-cutting ceremony Tuesday afternoon.

The pathway rebuilding project, with the support of a \$100,000 grant from the James H. Cummings Foundation, removed the deteriorated pathway behind the King statue and replaced it with nearly 1,700 feet of restored pathway following the original design of Frederick Law Olmsted.

"This takes a rotten, wrecked, no good pathway that lost its original Olmsted Park beauty and puts it back the way Olmsted designed it," said Thomas Herrera-Mishler, chief executive and president of the Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy. He described the new pathway as both "beautiful and historically accurate."

Representatives from Olmsted Parks and the Cummings Foundation, along with Mayor Byron W. Brown, Assemblywoman Crystal Peoples and Masten Common Council Member Demone Smith spoke of the pathway's benefit for the surrounding community.

"It's a huge asset for the community," Herrera-Mishler said, calling the restoration an investment in both the park and the community.

The newly completed pathway now links the walking paths in the park, totaling more than two miles.

“This is a very welcomed addition to a great facility,” Brown said. “It will be very much utilized, enjoyed.”

Summer youth workers from the Olmsted Conservancy, who help to restore neglected areas of the city, also were on hand to view the the park’s extension.

“This improved quality will have a major impact on the East Side of Buffalo,” said De’Jon Hall, 19, a summer youth worker who is also an East Side resident. “It opens up a new area, a new realm for extracurricular activities.”

Curtis Steed, 19, is also hoping the pathway will be an inviting place for residents.

“Hopefully, it’s a place where everyone can come together,” Steed said as his sister Janell, 7, looked on. Janell cut the ribbon at the event.

Martin Luther King Jr. Park is one the first three parks designed by Olmsted in 1871. The park, at Fillmore Avenue and Best Street, formerly was known as Humboldt Park.

“MLK Park is the premier historic park in Buffalo,” Peoples said.

“We’ve inherited a 19th century masterpiece,” Herrera-Mishler said of the Olmsted Park system. “This is what a park should look like.”

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The Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) provides New York City youth between the ages of 14 and 24 with summer employment and educational experiences that capitalize on their individual strengths, develop their skills and competencies, and connect them to positive adult role models. SYEP provides seven weeks of entry-level work experience in a variety of jobs at community-based organizations, government agencies and private sector businesses. Participants in the WIA In-School Youth (ISY) program are guaranteed an SYEP job.

2009 Program Facts:

- Budget: **\$66.5 million** (CTL - **\$13.8m**, State/FFFS - **\$19.5m**, WIA - **\$3.0m**, CSBG - **\$3.0m**, CSBG Stimulus- **\$8.7m**, WIA Stimulus - **\$18.5m**)
- Targeted Enrollment: **51,369**
- **69 community-based providers** including five providers that will serve vulnerable youth populations (court-involved, runaway/homeless and foster care) - Bronx - 14, Brooklyn - 22, Manhattan - 16, Queens - 11, Staten Island - 1, Vulnerable Youth - 5
- Program dates: **July 1-August 15**
- Participants paid for up to **25 hours per week**
- Minimum wage will increase to **\$7.25** per hour in July 2009
- Participants paid with a Visa-logo debit card that can be used at bank ATMs or retail vendors
- Educational Component – at least **10 percent of paid hours** devoted to education on the following topics. DYCD provides standardized curriculum and facilitator training.
 - Work Readiness
 - Financial Literacy
 - Career Exploration
 - College and post-secondary education opportunities
 - Health Education: HIV/AIDS awareness, domestic violence issues, nutrition, substance abuse
- Summer of Service – Part of Mayor Bloomberg's *NYC Service* initiative, this pilot program will connect 1,000 SYEP participants with exciting service projects on July 24 and August 7.

2008 Program Facts:

- Budget: **\$54.0 million** (CTL - **\$30.9m**, State/FFFS - **\$19.7m**, WIA - **\$3.4m**)
- Final Enrollment: **43,113**
- **103,189 applications** received
- **6,550 active worksites**, with **24 percent** in the private sector
- **2,537** youth with disabilities enrolled
- Total participant payroll: **\$40.9 million gross wages**

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Stimulus to Pay for More Summer Jobs in N.Y.

By KAREN ZRAICK

Citing the soaring unemployment rate among New York teenagers and young adults, state and city officials announced on Saturday that money from the federal stimulus program would be used to expand the number of summer jobs.

Gov. David A. Paterson said \$18.5 million would be directed to the city so it can offer 51,000 jobs, an increase of 8,000 from last year.

"Spring is job-hunting season," said Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, who joined Mr. Paterson and other elected officials at a news conference in Midtown Manhattan to provide details of the jobs program. "But as we know, these are not the best of times when it comes to landing work."

The program has already received 81,000 applications, said Jeanne B. Mullgrav, commissioner of the Department of Youth and Community Development. Participants earn the minimum wage, \$7.25 an hour, and attend workshops on topics like financial literacy and job preparedness. Employers include city agencies and nonprofit groups as well as private companies, which are eligible to receive tax credits for hiring low-income youth.

"What is unique about this particular endeavor," Mr. Paterson said, "is that rather than the normal jobs that young people have working in pools and parks and beaches, we will expand those opportunities to work with community organizations and businesses."

The unemployment rate in New York City among 16- to 19-year-olds has doubled in the past year to 22 percent, Mr. Paterson said, adding that federal stimulus money will allow the state to increase its own job-creation programs.

Without the additional money, the city would have been forced to reduce the number of summer jobs this year, Mr. Bloomberg said.

The increased financing also allowed the city to raise the age limit for applicants to 24 from 21 as a way to help college students. The program will accept applications until May 15. Applications are available at schools and libraries and online at www.nyc.gov/dycd.

Michael Udensi, 17, a high school senior from Queens, said he gained skills and confidence working two years ago in the office of a state senator.

"I realize that I am capable of achieving whatever I set my mind to," he said as he stood in front of Mr. Bloomberg and Mr. Paterson. Michael has submitted his application for this summer, he said, and he is waiting to hear back.



GOVERNOR PATERSON, MAYOR BLOOMBERG, CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION PUT NEW YORK'S LOWER-INCOME, UNEMPLOYED YOUTH TO WORK

Governor Announces Nearly \$100 Million in Federal Funding for Youth Employment

Funding Will Stimulate Local Economies Across New York; Will Create 50,000 Summer Youth Jobs – more than 27,000 in New York City

Governor David A. Paterson today was joined by New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, Congressman Charles Rangel, Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney, Congressman Gregory Meeks and State and City officials in announcing nearly \$100 million in federal funding for job creation, a portion of which will be used to assist New York's lower-income youth in finding summer employment. This funding is expected to create 50,000 jobs statewide, including more than 27,000 jobs in New York City, which will stimulate local economies across New York. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) will provide \$61 million in funding, and an additional \$35 million will be provided through the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant program, creating jobs for New York's lower-income youth statewide.

These initiatives are critical in light of the soaring youth unemployment rate across the State. Over the past 12 months, the unemployment rate among 16-19 year-olds in New York City averaged 22.1 percent – nearly four times higher among the rest of the city's residents. That estimate includes only young adults actively seeking employment.

"Unemployment among youth has far reaching consequences across society – from substance abuse to teen pregnancy to increased crime in our communities, making finding employment for youth all the more critical," said Governor Paterson. "With this federal funding, tens of thousands of youth will have their lives changed for the better by gaining substantive work experience and necessary life skills to succeed. I would like to thank President Obama, New York's congressional delegation and Mayor Bloomberg for being champions for our youth, and the future of our State and country."

Mayor Michael Bloomberg said: "None of us forget our first job, and these federal funds represent employment opportunities for our youth to set them on the way toward a lifetime of working. These funds will create more summer jobs that give young people who want to work a chance to learn and develop employable skills while they earn so that they can contribute to the economy, and encourages post-secondary work. I want to thank President Obama and our congressional delegation for their hard work in making sure that New York City received this much-needed funding to help preserve solid futures for our youth."

New York's low-income youth are slated to receive \$61 million in Workforce Investment Act (WIA) employment and training funds under ARRA. Administered by the New York State Department of Labor (DOL), WIA funding will provide paid work experience, education, skills training, and support services for at-risk youth. The maximum age of eligibility has been raised from 21 to 24 so that young adults 14 to 24 are eligible to participate. Some of these jobs will continue after the summer via career ladder programs.

ARRA funding for youth summer jobs in regions outside New York City include:

- Capital Region, \$2.2 million

- Central NY, \$2.4 million
- Finger Lakes, \$3.8 million
- Hudson Valley, \$4.3 million
- Long Island, \$4.2 million
- Mohawk Valley, \$1.8 million
- North Country, \$2.1 million
- Southern Tier, \$2.1 million
- Western NY, \$5.2 million

In addition to the ARRA funding, \$35 million in TANF funding will support the State's Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) for all 57 counties and New York City. Administered by the State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA), this funding will include approximately \$19.5 million for New York City youth. SYEP is designed to not only help teenagers find a summer job, but also to instill skills and work ethic necessary for youth to advance and prepare for life after high school. For many participants, the program provides their first exposure to the workforce. Last year, these funds were used to employ nearly 26,000 young people.

TANF requires that youth must be between the ages of 14 and 20 to qualify for SYEP. Participating families must be recipients of public assistance, or have a family income below 200 percent of the federal poverty level, or \$36,620 for a family of three.

TANF funding for youth summer jobs in counties outside of New York City include:

- Albany, \$466,485
- Allegany, \$170,948
- Broome, \$396,199
- Cattaraugus, \$213,176
- Cayuga, \$133,367
- Chautauqua, \$304,501
- Chemung, \$185,116
- Chenango, \$116,267
- Clinton, \$203,707
- Columbia, \$53,817
- Cortland, \$141,195
- Delaware, \$90,868
- Dutchess, \$342,815
- Erie, \$1,590,979
- Essex, \$67,249
- Franklin, \$124,897
- Fulton, \$103,493
- Genesee, \$101,683
- Greene, \$90,192
- Hamilton, \$9,906
- Herkimer, \$112,036
- Jefferson, \$315,456
- Lewis, \$77,918
- Livingston, \$163,290
- Madison, \$156,460
- Monroe, \$1,259,198
- Montgomery, \$95,558
- Nassau, \$819,147
- Niagara, \$412,949
- Oneida, \$364,623
- Onondaga, \$789,861
- Ontario, \$150,297
- Orange, \$444,195
- Orleans, \$80,884
- Oswego, \$345,023

- Otsego, \$149,472
- Putnam, \$34,727
- Rensselaer, \$246,202
- Rockland, \$251,001
- St Lawrence, \$390,075
- Saratoga, \$163,531
- Schenectady, \$187,511
- Schoharie, \$75,477
- Schuyler, \$44,304
- Seneca, \$83,770
- Steuben, \$216,644
- Suffolk, \$1,100,683
- Sullivan, \$134,225
- Tioga, \$85,815
- Tompkins, \$371,871
- Ulster, \$239,433
- Warren, \$95,396
- Washington, \$67,878
- Wayne, \$134,395
- Westchester, \$846,315
- Wyoming, \$83,133
- Yates, \$48,367

Additionally, Governor Paterson encouraged businesses to take advantage of the Work Opportunity Tax Credits (WOTC), which can provide up to \$2,400 in federal tax credits for employers who hire youth ages 16 to 24 and reside in designated Federal Renewal Communities and/or Empowerment Zones. Approximately 100,000 youth live in these designated zones statewide. Funding for WOTC was expanded, as part of the ARRA, to include tax credits for employers who hire "disconnected youth," which include youth who have not been employed or attended school in the past six months. Information on these tax credits can be obtained at the 81 One-Stop Career Centers across the State.

Governor Paterson also urged youth across the State to take advantage of DOL's revamped www.nycareerzone.org, which offers direct access to in-depth career and education information for more than 900 occupations, including job descriptions, estimated wages and the job outlook for each occupation. More importantly, CareerZone can help youth develop a 'worker identity' early on and focus their studies on the subjects they need in order to succeed in the job market when they leave school.

For more information on the State's youth summer jobs programs, visit www.labor.ny.gov or www.otda.state.ny.us.
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U.S. Senator Charles E. Schumer said: "These funds will help reverse the rising tide of unemployment among our youth here in New York and across the country. This funding will serve the central purpose of the recovery act – putting people back to work."

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand said: "I welcome the announcement by Governor Paterson and Mayor Bloomberg that stimulus funds we passed in Congress will increase educational and employment opportunities for our children and young adults. As the mother of two young boys, I am passionate about supporting programs which give every child the chance to develop the skills needed to put them on the path of success and to live up to their full potential. I am committed to working with Senator Schumer and the Congressional delegation to ensure that New York receives its fair share of federal dollars so we can continue to invest in the future of our children and our city."

Congressman Charles Rangel said: "The fate of this nation's economic future ultimately rests on how well we educate our children – both in and out of the classroom. By helping to increase their job and volunteer opportunities in the summer, we assure ourselves that our youth begin to acquire the skills

that employers need and that the global marketplace demands for their future." Rangel also noted that increasing opportunities would also help keep young people off the streets and out of trouble, especially during the summer. "While this city has seen historic drops in crime, we elected officials still go to too many funerals of innocent youngsters taken by gun and other youth-related violence," said Rangel. "Working with city and state officials, partnering with businesses large and small, we can bring down the number of these tragedies by funding meaningful and productive activities dedicated to putting our children onto a path of personal and professional success."

Congressman Jerrold Nadler said: "This \$96 million in federal funds will be put to essential, immediate use in providing work and hands-on engagement for our underemployed, disconnected youth and young adults. It's easy for us to forget that our current economic woes also have a dramatic effect on young people who are already struggling along the road to inclusion and participation in our society. I'm pleased to join my colleagues in the New York congressional delegation, the Governor, and the Mayor in bringing these much-needed funds to New York."

Congressman Gregory Meeks said: "I am greatly pleased with the nearly \$100 million in federal funding for the New York Youth Student Program. The 50,000 jobs we expect will be created for disadvantaged youth across the state of New York will go a long way toward securing the future of our greatest asset, our young people. I believe that this program is a tremendous outreach initiative for at-risk youth who will have the opportunity to obtain paid summer employment that will teach them the necessary job and life skills to excel in future employment. This program is essential with the rate of unemployment and crime amongst youth in New York continuously increasing. I am confident that with this newly added funding the Youth Student Employment program will reach new heights and provide our youth with a life changing experience."

Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney said: "In these tough economic times, it's vital that we recognize and nurture the potential of our city's young people. Investments in our kids are investments in New York's future. I applaud Governor Paterson and Mayor Bloomberg for taking quick action to direct stimulus funding to Youth Employment Initiatives, and I thank President Obama and my colleagues in the New York Congressional delegation for their ongoing work to get our economy back on track and help our community."

Congresswoman Nydia M. Velázquez said: "Young people in New York City need positive places to go where they can learn, develop new skills and connect with mentors. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act enables more of our youth to participate in summer programs expanding educational opportunities and helping to lay the groundwork for a bright future."

Congressman Edolphus Towns said: "As a proud co-sponsor of the Recovery Act, I am pleased to see that stimulus dollars are being directed to this important skills building program. By increasing the summer 2009 enrollment, the program will create jobs and help improve the future of thousands of young adults in New York City."

Congressman Eliot Engel said: "The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provided funding for the Summer Youth Employment Program, a vital program that employ thousands of teens and young adults throughout the state, especially disconnected youths who have few other places to turn. Thanks to this money, thousands more will be employed this year over last. I am proud to have played a part in making sure so many young people are given the opportunity to work this summer, developing important skills, learning responsibility, and meeting adults who can serve as mentors and positive role models."

Congresswoman Yvette D. Clark said: "It is truly gratifying to know that as a strong proponent and one who voted in favor of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, my efforts to reinvigorate our economy are beginning to pay off. I am pleased to announce, along with my colleagues in government today that thousands of additional slots will be available in the 2009 Summer Youth Employment Program. Our young people will serve as a valuable addition to our workforce this summer. Thousands of young people who have historically been underutilized will now have a great opportunity to establish themselves in the world of work and build a foundation for future endeavors. For too long the

young people of our city have had to struggle with a very minimal commitment to summer employment opportunities. This summer in New York City that will not be the case. Our young people will be partners in stimulating our economy, while gaining meaningful work experience and assisting their families in these challenging times."

Congressman Tim Bishop said: "I voted for the American Recovery Act because it would save and create jobs for New Yorkers. This federal funding will assist young people who are struggling to find work in today's difficult economy."

Congresswoman Louise M. Slaughter said: "The critical recovery dollars made available by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act will not only enable us to empower our youth with the experience and tools necessary for future success but strengthen future generations, communities, and our State for the long-term."

Congressman Anthony Weiner said: "I'm gratified that a long underfunded program will get a boost. Arming young people with job skills and real work opportunities is a smart way to stimulate our local economy."

Congresswoman Carolyn McCarthy said: "I am pleased to support Governor Paterson and Mayor Bloomberg as they announce these important recovery initiatives for New York State. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act will create new and unprecedented investments in our nation's infrastructure, help to secure access to healthcare for more Americans and devote enormous resources to educating New York's children. These programs will strengthen New York's economy, create jobs and help to rebuild our State."

Congressman Gary Ackerman said: "The critical funds announced today will create needed jobs for New York's youth, providing them with real work experience and the development of important skills necessary to succeed in life. It is essential that we provide these types of opportunities to today's youth and young adults as we set them on the path towards being the future of our city and our state. I am extremely pleased that our region continues to reap the benefits from the economic stimulus package so that we can move forward during these challenging economic times."

Senate Majority Leader Malcolm A. Smith said: "Creating jobs for all residents of the State is crucial during these tough economic times. I am pleased that funding has been secured to provide the youngest among New York's workforce with the confidence and the skills that will allow them to be the productive citizens they desire to be. This program not only stimulates the economy but the minds and abilities of our youth."

Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver said on Friday: "For many young people, a summer job is their first work experience and their first opportunity to earn a paycheck. These funds will help to preserve thousands of summer positions, which are essential jobs in our city's day camps, senior centers, hospitals and recreation facilities. During this recession, we must look for ways to stimulate our economy but we cannot to forget how important young people are to our economy."

Senator George Onorato, Chairman of the Senate Labor Committee, said: "This federal funding, combined with State resources aimed at helping our young people find jobs, will help to ensure that our youth are provided with valuable opportunities to enter the labor force and develop career skills that will serve them well throughout their lives. By wisely investing in youth employment programs, we are helping to provide a brighter future for both the young people themselves and our economy as a whole."

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Assemblywoman Susan John, Chair of the Assembly Labor Committee, said: "Summer jobs provide an important source of income, skills training and teach responsibility to our young people. In addition to helping families, this commitment to youth employment will help employers and our economy. Youth in Rochester, and all parts of state, will benefit from this important investment that employs young people. I thank the Governor for his leadership in helping our youth and their families with this vital jobs program."

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New York City Department of Youth and Community Development Commissioner Jeanne B. Mullgrav said: "Summer jobs for young people are harder than ever to find, which is why I'm so thrilled that the NYC Summer Youth Employment Program is growing this year thanks to federal stimulus funds and the ongoing support of Mayor Bloomberg and our partners in Albany. We are working closely with the non-profit and business communities to develop a wide variety of exciting jobs that reflect the interests of our young people."

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FEDS GIVE NY TEENS JOB BOO\$T

By DOUGLAS MONTERO

May 10, 2009 --

Nearly \$100 million in federal funds will create 50,000 jobs across the state for teenagers between 16 and 19 years old this summer, with 27,000 of the openings slotted for the city, Gov. Paterson and Mayor Bloomberg announced yesterday.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act will provide \$61 million in funding. An additional \$35 million will be provided through the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant program.

The unemployment rate for teens looking for work in the city averaged 22.1 percent -- nearly four times higher than the rest of the city's residents.

"These funds will create more summer jobs that give young people who want to work a chance to learn and develop employable skills while they earn so that they can contribute to the economy, and encourages post-secondary work," Bloomberg said.



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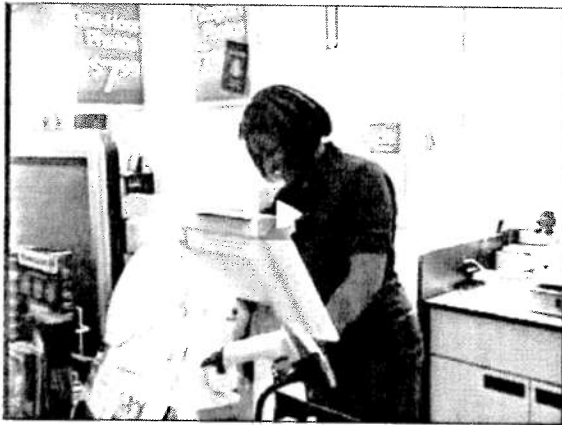
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Feds Provide \$29 Million For City Youth Summer Jobs

By: NY1 News



The city's unemployed youth are going to be put to work this summer. Governor David Paterson, Mayor Michael Bloomberg and other elected officials announced in Midtown Manhattan Saturday that nearly \$29 million in federal funding will support youth work force development initiatives in the city.

Bloomberg said the majority of that money will go to expanding the Department of Youth and Community Development's summer youth employment program, which was in danger of cutting summer slots. "As a result of these new federal stimulus dollars, not only will we revive those 11,000 spots, but we will also expand the program by another 8,000 positions," said Bloomberg. "And that's going to mean more than 51,000 young New Yorkers will experience the rewards of a summer job."

More than 80,000 students have applied for positions in the program. "Everyone's looking for jobs, so I would say it's harder this year. That's why it's had the most applications filled out to date," said high school senior Michael Udensi, who was looking to work in banking. "So, a lot of kids are looking for jobs, so it's very important that people start early looking for jobs."

"I plan on, like, going somewhere over the summer and in order to do that I will need some financing and having a job will help me with that," said high school student Cherease Street. The stimulus funding is part of the \$100 million in federal funding Paterson is putting toward job creation across the state.

"The New York State Department of Labor wasn't even administering a summer youth program for the last decade but thanks to our [Labor] Commissioner Patricia Smith, we are reopening that along with the stimulus money we have received," said the governor. Paterson said such initiatives are critical amid soaring youth unemployment rates.

Summer jobs are available in a number of sectors. "We have small businesses, printing shops, Barnes and Noble, some nonprofits, American Cancer Society, museums, parks, government agencies. Really the full gambit," said Youth and Community Development Commissioner Jeanne Mullgrav.

The city is accepting applications for the seven-week program through next Friday. For more information, visit www.nyc.gov or call 311.



Bloomberg: Stimulus \$\$\$ Will Help Your Kids Get Jobs

By Lynn Berry

While much of the attention on job loss has centered on adults who have lost their livelihoods, it's getting harder for young people to get started.

"There's so little out there because there are a lot of older people looking too and that makes it even harder," said 14-year-old David Urbank.

Gov. David Paterson and Mayor Bloomberg want to make things a little easier to employ the city's youth. They announced they will use part of the \$29 million of federal stimulus money coming to New York City for youth development to support 51,000 jobs for workers ages 14-24.

Summertime has always meant summer jobs, but even teens aren't immune to tough economic times. That's why New York City is making sure their opportunities don't eviscerate along with the rest of the job market.

The program "NYC Summer Youth Employment Program" will benefit the most people. Officials say the funding will create 8,000 new jobs for teens this summer. The 7-week program employs kids in hospitals, nonprofits, day camps and a number of private sector positions. The pay is \$7.25 an hour for 24 hours a week. Applications are being accepted until May 15. More than 80,000 people have already applied. To find out how to apply go to www.nyc.gov/dycd.

For some young people, their paychecks are just as important as their parents'.

"Once I get a job we'll put it in the bank for college and toward the house we want to get," said 14-year-old Jazzia Ramos.

Paterson, who fought to keep the youth work program in the stimulus package, said the city can't ignore the recent unemployment numbers.

"What we're trying to do is mitigate it," Paterson said, emphasizing the younger generation cannot be ignored.

**Stimulus Will Help NYC Youths Find Summer Work Reporting
Scott Rapoport NEW YORK (CBS) —**

Summer is about to get a whole lot brighter for tens of thousands of teenagers.

Governor David Paterson and Mayor Michael Bloomberg announced Saturday how the federal stimulus plan is helping teens in the tri-state.

16-year-old Lisa Saldana is like a lot of kids her age – excited about the start of summer with her friends, but worried about getting a job to earn money for what she needs.

"[I need money] for my studies, for when I go away to college," Saldana says.

With the dour economy and scarcity of jobs affecting so many, some economists are saying this could be the worst summer job market for teens like Lisa in six decades.

"It's not very good, let me tell you," Saldana says.

"Young people, age 16-19, are unemployed by a rate of 22 percent," Gov. Paterson said.

So it was Saturday that Gov. Paterson and Mayor Bloomberg announced a boom for young job-seekers.

New York State will be receiving \$100 million of federal stimulus money, \$29 million for New York City alone, and the bulk of that money will be used on job programs for young people.

"Today's good news is that even more help is on the way," Bloomberg said.

The money means that 51,000 jobs will be available through the city's summer youth employment program – that's more than 8,000 more jobs than were available in 2008.

The jobs run for seven weeks, pay the minimum wage of \$7.25 an hour, and encompass all fields.

"We have small businesses, printing shops, auto shops, Barnes and Noble," Jeanne Mullgrave, of the Department of Youth and Community Development, says. "We have some non-profits, the American Cancer Society; we have museums, parks, government agencies."

Anyone interested in the jobs must be between the ages of 14 and 24, and the deadline to apply is May 15. More than 81,000 applications have reportedly been received thus far.

To find out how to apply, visit the NYC Department of Youth and Community Development's Web site [here](#).



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**MAYOR BLOOMBERG, GOVERNOR PATERSON, FEDERAL, STATE AND CITY
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SUPPORT MORE THAN 17,378 SUMMER JOBS AND INTERNSHIPS OVER THE
NEXT YEAR FOR NEW YORK CITY YOUTH**

*Most of the funds – \$18.5M – will enhance the New York City Summer Youth Employment Program
which provides summer jobs to young people ages 14 to 24*

*Stimulus Funding Will Bring Total Summer Youth Employment in New York City to Over 51,000 —
8,000 More Jobs than in 2008*

*All Federal Stimulus Funding Allocated to New York City can be Closely Tracked Online at
www.nyc.gov/stimulustracker*

Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, Governor David A. Paterson, House Ways and Means Committee Chair Charles B. Rangel, Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney, Congressman Gregory Meeks, Congressman Anthony Weiner, State Senate Majority Leader Malcolm Smith, Councilman Lew Fidler, and Department of Youth and Community Development Commissioner Jeanne B. Mullgrav today announced that New York City will use \$29.02 million in funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to support 17,378 slots for summer youth employment programs, summer internships, and similar programs. The bulk of the funds—\$18.5 million—will enhance the New York City Summer Youth Employment Program, a seven-week jobs program for New York City youth between the ages of 14 and 24. This will provide jobs for a total of more than 51,000 young people in New York City's Summer Youth Employment Program – 8,000 more than in 2008. Because CVS/pharmacy has agreed to hire Summer Youth Employment Program participants at almost all of their New York City locations, the Mayor, Governor, and legislators made this announcement at CVS's flagship store in Manhattan with Deputy Mayor for Education and Community Development Dennis M. Walcott, New York City Employment & Training Coalition Executive Director Tim Ford, and CVS/pharmacy Supervisor Michael Frazzeta.

"None of us forget our first job, and these federal funds will support employment opportunities designed to provide young people with the fundamental skills they need to succeed in the working world," said Mayor Bloomberg. "I want to thank President Obama and our congressional delegation for making sure that New York City receives the resources we need to give the next generation an economic jump-start. Stimulus funds will create summer jobs for 13,378 youth that will have a real impact on the lives and financial prospects of young people and their families in all five boroughs.

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“Unemployment among youth has far reaching consequences across society – from substance abuse to teen pregnancy to increased crime in our communities,” said Governor Paterson. “This makes finding employment for youth at this moment all the more critical, especially in light of the fact that jobs traditionally filled by youth are being filled by adults adversely affected by today’s economy. With this infusion of federal funding, tens of thousands of youth will have their lives changed for the better. More importantly, they will be spending their paychecks in communities sorely in need of an infusion.”

President Obama signed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act in February. Included within this bill is \$29.02 million in youth funding for New York City through the federal Workforce Investment Act. In addition to the \$18.5 million to fund summer jobs through the Summer Youth Employment Program, \$3.02 million will support paid internships to participants in Out-of-School Youth programs. The program will build on the successful model established by the Young Adult Internship Program, which is part of the Mayor’s Center for Economic Opportunity anti-poverty initiative. Another \$5.5 million will be used to fund paid internships for 2,800 youth on the condition that they remain in or return to high school, and meet academic and job performance standards through the Department of Youth and Community Development’s “Go To School, Get A Job” initiative. And \$2 million will help another 200 18 to 24 year olds, who are neither in school nor in the workforce to get off public assistance and establish self-sufficiency. This will be done through on-the-job training combined with GED, pre-GED, English as a Second Language, or college preparatory classes, as well as internships and apprenticeships in the Parks Opportunity Program’s Back to School and Work Initiative, which is funded by the Department of Youth and Community Development and operated with the City’s Department of Parks and Recreation.

The New York City Summer Youth Employment Program is a stand-alone seven-week jobs program. Last summer, the Department of Youth and Community Development received 103,000 applications and enrolled more than 43,000 participants in the program – the most since the summer of 2001. Summer Youth Employment Program participants were employed at 6,550 worksites that were developed by 56 community-based providers throughout the five boroughs. The receipt of stimulus funds has allowed the Department of Youth and Community Development to extend the pool of participants up to age 24, where it previously was 21. Participants, who earn the minimum wage, work in local small businesses, cultural institutions, government agencies, non-profit organizations, schools, child care facilities, libraries, and hospitals. They receive education and training on topics that include work-readiness, post-secondary education, career exploration, financial literacy, and health awareness. The deadline to submit a summer youth employment application is May 15, 2009. Information is available at www.nyc.gov or by calling 311.

“These funds will help reverse the rising tide of unemployment among our youth here in New York and across the country,” said Senator Schumer. “This funding will serve the central purpose of the recovery act – putting people back to work.”

“I welcome the announcement by Governor Paterson and Mayor Bloomberg that stimulus funds we passed in Congress will increase educational and employment opportunities for our children and young adults,” said Senator Kirsten Gillibrand. “As the mother of two young boys, I am passionate about supporting programs which give every child the chance to develop the skills needed to put them on the path of success and to live up to their full potential. I am committed to working with Senator Schumer and the Congressional delegation to ensure that New York receives its fair share of federal dollars so we can continue to invest in the future of our children and our city.”

“The fate of this nation’s economic future ultimately rests on how well we educate our children – both in and out of the classroom,” said Congressman Rangel. “By helping to increase their job and volunteer opportunities in the summer, we assure ourselves that our youth begin to acquire the skills that employers need and that the global marketplace demands for their future.”

Rangel also noted that increasing opportunities would also help keep young people off the streets and out of trouble, especially during the summer.

“While this city has seen historic drops in crime, we elected officials still go to too many funerals of innocent youngsters taken by gun and other youth-related violence,” said Rangel. “Working with city and state officials, partnering with businesses large and small, we can bring down the number of these tragedies by funding meaningful and productive activities dedicated to putting our children onto a path of personal and professional success.”

“In these tough economic times, it’s vital that we recognize and nurture the potential of our city’s young people. Investments in our kids are investments in New York’s future,” said Rep. Maloney. “I applaud Governor Paterson and Mayor Bloomberg for taking quick action to direct stimulus funding to Youth Employment Initiatives, and I thank President Obama and my colleagues in the New York Congressional delegation for their ongoing work to get our economy back on track and help our community.”

“I am greatly pleased with the nearly \$100 million in federal funding for the New York Summer Youth Employment Program. The 75,000 jobs we expect will be created for disadvantaged youth across the state of New York will go a long way toward securing the future of our greatest asset, our young people,” said Congressman Gregory Meeks. “I believe that this program is a tremendous outreach initiative for at-risk youth who will have the opportunity to obtain paid summer employment that will teach them the necessary job and life skills to excel in future employment. This program is essential with the rate of unemployment and crime amongst youth in New York continuously increasing. I am confident that with this newly added funding the Summer Youth Employment Program will reach new heights and provide our youth with a life-changing experience.”

“I’m gratified that a long underfunded program will get a boost,” said Rep. Weiner. “Arming young people with job skills and real work opportunities is a smart way to stimulate our local economy.”

“Young people in New York City need positive places to go where they can learn, develop new skills, and connect with mentors,” said Congresswoman Nydia M. Velázquez. “The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act enables more of our youth to participate in summer programs expanding educational opportunities and helping to lay the groundwork for a bright future.”

“As a proud co-sponsor of the Recovery Act, I am pleased to see that stimulus dollars are being directed to this important skills-building program. By increasing the summer 2009 enrollment, the program will create jobs and help improve the future of thousands of young adults in New York City,” said Rep. Towns.

“It is truly gratifying to know that as a strong proponent and one who voted in favor the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, my efforts to reinvigorate our economy are beginning to pay off,” said Rep. Yvette D. Clarke. “I am pleased to announce, along with my colleagues in government today that thousands of additional slots will be available in the 2009 Summer Youth Employment Program.”

“Our young people will serve as a valuable addition to our workforce this summer,” continued Rep. Clarke. “Thousands of young people who have historically been underutilized will now have a great opportunity to establish themselves in the world of work and build a foundation for future endeavors. For too long the young people of our city have had to struggle with a very minimal commitment to summer employment opportunities. This summer in New York City, that will not be the case. Our young people will be partners in stimulating our economy, while gaining meaningful work experience and assisting their families in these challenging times.”

“Creating jobs for all residents of the State is crucial during these tough economic times,” said Senate Majority Leader Malcolm A. Smith. “I am pleased that funding has been secured to provide the youngest among New York’s workforce with the confidence and the skills that will allow them to be the productive citizens they desire to be. This program not only stimulates the economy but the minds and abilities of our youth.”

“For many young people, a summer job is their first work experience and their first opportunity to earn a paycheck,” said Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver. “These funds will help to preserve thousands of summer positions, which are essential jobs in our city’s day camps, senior centers, hospitals and recreation facilities. During this recession, we must look for ways to stimulate our economy but we cannot to forget how important young people are to our economy.”

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“This \$96 million in federal funds will be put to essential, immediate use in providing work and hands-on engagement for our underemployed, disconnected youth and young adults,” said Rep. Nadler. “It’s easy for us to forget that our current economic woes also have a dramatic effect on young people who are already struggling along the road to inclusion and participation in our society. I’m pleased to join my colleagues in the New York congressional delegation, the Governor, and the Mayor in bringing these much-needed funds to New York.”

“The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provided funding for the Summer Youth Employment Program, a vital program that employ thousands of teens and young adults throughout the state, especially disconnected youths who have few other places to turn,” said Rep. Eliot Engel.

“Thanks to this money, thousands more will be employed this year over last. I am proud to have played a part in making sure so many young people are given the opportunity to work this summer, developing important skills, learning responsibility, and meeting adults who can serve as mentors and positive role models.”

“The critical funds announced today will create needed jobs for New York’s youth, providing them with real work experience and the development of important skills necessary to succeed in life,” said Rep. Gary Ackerman. “It is essential that we provide these types of opportunities to today’s youth and young adults as we set them on the path towards being the future of our city and our state. I am extremely pleased that our region continues to reap the benefits from the economic stimulus package so that we can move forward during these challenging economic times.”

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“I couldn’t be more pleased that thousands more young people will be able to participate in the Summer Youth Employment Program,” said Children and Families Senate Committee Chair Velmanette Montgomery. “The State budget included \$35 million for the SYEP. This funding support, combined with new federal dollars, makes it possible for youth to have meaningful, community-based work experiences.”

“During the summer months thousands of young people staff important seasonal positions which enhance the quality of services across the five boroughs,” said Assemblyman Jonathan L. Bing. “Thankfully, despite a weak economy, Governor Paterson has prioritized preserving these important positions, which help young people get a footing in the work world. This announcement is welcome news for young people in New York City and important to our economic development goals.”

“I applaud Governor Paterson, Mayor Bloomberg, and Commissioner Mullgrav for their strong support of the Summer Youth Employment Program. The expansion of NYC’s Summer Youth Employment Program (with the use of federal stimulus funds) will ensure that during this economic decline, 8,000 more young people can find meaningful employment this summer,” said Assemblyman William Scarborough. “As chairman of the Assembly Committee on Children and Families, I will continue to work with my partners within state and local government to find more ways in providing support and valuable employment opportunities for our youth.”

“I could not be more thrilled to know that we will employ more young people for summer jobs this year than in any year since 9/11,” said Youth Services Committee Chair Lew Fidler. “Since these kids will spend the money they earn in our communities almost immediately, this is the very definition of an economic stimulus that works for everybody.”

“Summer jobs for young people are harder than ever to find, which is why I’m so thrilled that the NYC Summer Youth Employment Program is growing this year thanks to federal stimulus funds and the ongoing support of Mayor Bloomberg and our partners in Albany,” said Department of Youth and Community Development Commissioner Jeanne B. Mullgrav. “We are working closely with the non-profit and business communities to develop a wide variety of exciting jobs that reflect the interests of our young people.”

“CVS/pharmacy is pleased with Governor Paterson’s and Mayor Bloomberg’s enthusiastic support in SYEP,” said CVS/pharmacy Regional Manager John Bohl. “In this tough job market – especially for teenagers looking to find summer jobs – we are happy to be partnering with SYEP for the fourth summer in a row to provide paid summer internships to area teens. This year, we are even expanding our program from 100 teen participants in 2008 to more than 300 teens throughout our 111 CVS/pharmacy stores in New York City, thus providing even more area youths with jobs and marketable skills.”

“The lack of employment opportunities for youth was a growing problem before the current economic crisis and now is only getting worse. By teaching job skills and providing real world experience, youth employment programs are critical to helping our city’s emerging workforce succeed,” said New York City Employment Training Coalition Executive Director Tim Ford. “New York City has been the national leader in developing a vibrant summer youth employment program and with the new federal support we are confident this year’s program will be a success. We recognize DYCD for their leadership and the over 50 community-based organizations who will manage the program in all five boroughs. We also thank the dedicated employers from all over the city who are willing to open their doors and in return create opportunity for tens of thousands of young adults.”

To maintain accountability and transparency in the City’s use of stimulus funding, all such funding allocated to New York City can be closely tracked at www.nyc.gov/stimulustracker. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act dollars can be tracked from initial allocation through project completion. In addition, the public can track key performance measures – such as jobs created – showing how these projects and programs benefit the City.

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Sunday, November 9, 2008 -- *Working Poor and Young Hit Hard in Downturn*

By **ERIK ECKHOLM**

PHILADELPHIA — Harvey Shaw's plans to move out of his parents' house, finally, have been derailed. With a high school degree obtained belatedly at 21, he had held a full-time job for 26 months as a detailer at a car dealership here, sprucing up new and used cars.

But in early October, Mr. Shaw, now 24, recalled, "I came back from vacation, and they said they were cutting back and replacing me with part-time workers."

Labor experts say the hardships of the gathering recession are sweeping down to hurt the working poor and younger job seekers most of all.

From the fall of 2007 to this October, the share of 16- to 19-year-olds working fell by 8 percent, the largest decline of any age group, and the outlook for youths and low-skilled workers in coming months is bleak, economists say, with the industries most apt to employ them, like home-building and retail sales, taking steep dives.

On Friday, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that 240,000 jobs disappeared in October alone, bringing the unemployment rate to 6.5 percent. But construction, for example, had the highest unemployment rate of any industry: 10.8 percent, compared with 6.1 percent a year ago, leaving entry-level applicants in the cold.

"Low-income people are the big losers when the economy turns down," said Andrew M. Sum, director of the Center for Labor Market Studies at Northeastern University.

With jobs scarce, many college graduates find themselves taking jobs that do not require a degree, and laid-off middle-income workers are taking lower-paying jobs in areas like retail sales. A kind of domino effect is beginning to squeeze out the least skilled or experienced workers — those already on the bottom of the ladder — who are settling for part-time employment and fewer hours if they can find work at all. Hardest hit of all are younger job-seekers, especially black males in their late teens or early 20s without more than a high school education.

Among those ages 16 to 19, access to part-time jobs, full-time jobs and summer jobs had already declined through this decade, and by last month only 31.4 percent had held some sort of employment. In the year ahead, Professor Sum predicted, "The teens will be thrown out of the labor market at record levels," often causing hardship for poor families and causing youths to miss experience that, studies show, will gain them better jobs in the future.

Like Mr. Shaw, Kyuana Everett, 21, earned her high school degree at the YouthBuild charter school here, which helps dropouts complete high school and seeks to prepare them for a trade or higher education.

"I've tried for everything, retail sales, office work, but the employers all say they have too many staff and they're not hiring now," Ms. Everett said. "McDonald's was the only place that would take me, but only part-time," for \$7.25 an hour.

Ms. Everett cannot afford to rent even a room, and stays secretly with her grandmother in a home for the elderly. She hopes to get a scholarship to a technical college for training as an electrician.

The one age group whose employment rate climbed over the last year was people over 65, who are starting to take the part-time and retail jobs once dominated by students and younger high school graduates, Professor Sum said.

A recession takes its largest tolls not only on the young but also in cyclical industries like construction, manufacturing of durable goods, retail trade, hotels and temp agencies — traditional avenues into the workplace for the less skilled.

The crash in construction jobs is most acute in housing, which tends to use a greater share of inexperienced labor than commercial construction does, said Ken Simonson, chief economist for the Associated General Contractors of America. Looking at economic projections, Mr. Simonson said, "I'd expect even more of those low-skilled jobs will be lost."

Here in Philadelphia, Michael Stepnowski, who runs a small construction company mainly doing office renovations, has had to lay off four laborers in the last year, to a remaining staff of 17, because of declining contracts. "We're worried about future business volume and jobs," Mr. Stepnowski said.

On Thursday, most of the country's major retailers, another major source of jobs for people without college degrees, reported annual sales declines of more than 10 percent and in some cases more than 20 percent, translating into enormous job cutbacks. Last Monday, Circuit City announced it was closing 155 stores and eliminating more than 7,000 jobs.

YouthBuild, which runs school and training programs around the country, has tried to adapt to the changing job market, not simply giving young people a high-school degree but helping them prepare for fields with a future, meaning technical schools or community colleges for some, four-year college for others.

But transitional jobs, to sustain graduates as they train, are harder to find. Miguel DeJesus, 21 and a graduate of the charter school, has two small children and plans to marry their mother soon, and his goal is to work while he gets certified in building maintenance.

In recent months Mr. DeJesus has been applying to retail stores and fast-food outlets, poring over classifieds and Craigslist and walking into places cold to inquire. But everywhere, he said, he is told that, far from hiring, employers expect to lay off workers.

"I have to put school on hold while I find a way to support my family," Mr. DeJesus said. "If I could get a job anywhere now I'd be grateful."

Low-income women with children can face particular challenges. Kristin S. Seefeldt, a sociologist at the National Poverty Center at the University of Michigan, has closely followed 43 low-income women since 2005, and as expenses have climbed while work hours declined, many have survived by building up large debt on credit cards and to utilities, where they make minimum payments to keep the heat and electricity from being turned off, but are unable to chip away at balances of several thousands of dollars.

Several of the women have temporary nonunion jobs with the Detroit area's remaining auto-parts manufacturers. The jobs provide no benefits or security but may pay \$12 an hour, as opposed to \$8 in fast food or sales. With the auto industry in crisis, Ms. Seefeldt said, "the women are really concerned that the companies will go under and they'll lose these jobs."

Fred Davie, president of Public/Private Ventures, a group in Philadelphia that develops and studies antipoverty programs, said that as the federal government considered new stimulus measures, it could help the poor as well as the economy by investing in construction and increasing cash benefits for the needy, who will spend the money immediately.

"The new administration will have to think several levels down the ladder," Mr. Davie said, "so the government invests not only in the top but also in infrastructure jobs and training for low-income people to get some of those jobs."

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Youth Programs

NYC SUMMER JOBS MAKE BIG GAINS IN PLACEMENT SITES

New York City's summer jobs program is believed to be the largest in the nation but still serves fewer than half of those who apply. Putting budget constraints aside, it has significantly increased the number of job options it makes available to those lucky enough to enroll.

On a budget of about \$54 million, the New York City Summer Youth Employment Program placed about 43,000 participants in jobs this summer. That's just about 1,200 more young people placed in jobs than last summer — with about \$2.4 million less in the program's budget to work with.

While budgets set limits, the number to pay attention to when observing New York's program is work sites, about 6,550 different hosts over this summer. That was up by about 500 sites over the year and by more than 2,100 sites since 2006.

Big-name employers range from CVS to Barnes and Noble and Staples, as well as a variety of hospitals and smaller employers.

In an era when the remaining summer jobs programs around the country are attempting various styles of modernization, the New York City Department of Youth and Community Development has concentrated efforts on improving the experience for the 14- to 21-year-olds it serves.

"One thing that a large number of sites relates to is our desire to have our programs expose the young people to a large variety of careers, in hopes that their jobs will match their interests," Deputy Commissioner Suzanne Lynn told MII.

The Big Apple's program was actually 56 different programs this summer, run by community-based organizations throughout the city, with oversight and key administrative tasks — such as payroll — performed by the city office.

While many cities rely on CBOs to refer students to their summer jobs programs, or to employ the participants, New York relies on its CBOs for delivering programmatic aspects of its initiative.

Pushing the organizations to develop jobs has been critical to opening up positions with small businesses such as neighborhood mechanics and small law and architecture firms.

These are the hosts that city officials, realistically, would have trouble reaching if they had to do the footwork themselves, Lynn said.

The majority of jobs provided through New York's summer jobs program are with nonprofit organizations, the CBOs that manage the program and other organizations.

The share of placements with private companies, however, has risen steadily and now exceeds placements with public agencies. This summer, 23 percent of work sites were in the private sector, up from

21 percent last year and 10 percent when the Department of Youth and Community Development began administering the program in 2003.

For next summer, city officials say they are considering requiring CBOs that manage the program to meet private sector placement goals that range from 10 to 30 percent of the jobs they provide.

Aside from offering a variety of placements, another benefit of increased private sector job hosting has been employers hiring participants for permanent positions after the subsidized seven weeks of summer work are over. Agency officials have not kept track of hires made as a result of the program, but have heard anecdotally that the number has been increasing, spokesman Ryan Dodge said.

CBOs

Community-based organizations are also expected to deliver curricular programming in career exploration, employability, financial literacy, health and other topics. Citywide, the program employs young people for 25 hours per week at minimum wage. Five of those 25 paid hours are off the job, in the classroom.

Until now, the curriculum has been generated by the participating CBOs, but next summer city officials are contemplating rolling out a standardized curriculum, one perhaps designed to have different age-appropriate lessons for various cohorts of students across the developmentally wide age bracket of eligibility.

To help monitor both the CBOs and work sites, the Department of Youth and Community Development employed 50 temporary staff members this summer to perform site visits, managing to drop in for more than 12,000 inspections over the seven-week program.

"We want to make sure that all of the kids get a quality educational experience," Lynn said.

Another management practice of note is the program's lottery. This year, more than 103,000 young people applied for New York City's summer jobs, and only about 42 percent of them could get in. Instead of enrolling participants up to a cap and then figuring out where to send them from a central office, New York's initiative holds a lottery for each CBO operating the program.

Young people applying to the program list the organization they would like to work with when they apply, and are granted a spot if they are a lottery winner.

Placing job matching at the CBO level spreads out the work and puts it in the hands of the organizations that developed the jobs.

The city agency also has been adopting technology to keep operations running smoothly. An online application and Visa debit card payroll, all centrally managed, have been noteworthy features added in recent years.

Lynn credits the balance of central administration and reliance on community-based providers to manage programs for the city's relative ease in pulling off a significantly large summer jobs program smoothly.

"At DYCD, we are supportive of the notion that these services are best provided by the organizations that are already out in these communities and serving these customers," she said.

—Ryan Hess

Closing the Market – NYC Ladders for Leaders (August 20, 2008)



About this Marketsite Event:

Commissioner Jeanne B. Mullgrav, Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD); Chair Anne Sutherland Fuchs, Commission on Women's Issues (CWI); and Tonie McKenzie, NYC Ladders for Leaders graduate, preside over the Closing Bell.

About NYC Ladders for Leaders:

183 New York City high school and college-aged youth recently celebrated their graduation from Ladders for Leaders, the City's innovative corporate internship program. The graduation was held at Gracie Mansion before an audience of corporate sponsors, mentors, and proud parents. Ladders for Leaders was launched by Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg in October 2007 to provide inner-city youth with quality work experiences and the resources they need to excel in college.

NYC Ladders for Leaders is a joint initiative of CWI and DYCD designed to connect high-potential youth to successful professional mentors through seven-week summer internships in the public and private sectors. Interns completed a rigorous six-month pre-employment training program prior to the start of their internships; attended regular Friday workshops on work readiness, college orientation, and leadership development; and were also provided with college preparatory courses by Kaplan, Inc. College scholarships are donated by program partners to participants who successfully complete the program and enroll in college or university.

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Summer Jobs: Ditch the Paychecks and Paper

Tech innovations save money.

By Erika Fitzpatrick

Number of temporary workers not needed: 159. Number of carbon-copy applications processed: zero. Allowing New York City youth to apply for a summer job online and get paid in plastic: priceless.

Maybe not quite priceless. But after instituting several technical innovations – including paying kids through a Visa debit card and managing programs with online tools – the New York City Department of Youth and Community Development's Sum-

Eliminating administrative workers put "that salary back into summer jobs for young people."

*— Alan Cheng,
New York City
summer jobs director.*

mer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) is spending less each year on administrative tasks. As a result, it is devoting more money to employer and youth outreach, while keeping pace with a minimum wage that has increased from \$5.15 an hour in 2005 to \$7.15 an hour this year, city officials said last month.

More and more urban summer jobs programs are using technology to solve problems and save money. Memphis, Tenn., instituted a bank-card payment program last year; Washington, D.C., is implementing a debit card system this summer.

Such innovations are among the few bits of good news on the summer jobs front. The National League of Cities says the depressed economy is forcing city officials to scrounge more than usual to find job slots for teens. Northeastern University's Center for Labor Market Studies predicts the teen summer employment rate will reach 34.2 percent.

Trust

Under the New York system, funds are loaded onto the youths' accounts at every two-week payroll period. Youths can check their balances at no charge.

Some might wonder: Can most teens be trusted to use a Visa card responsibly?

Yes, said Dan Symon, former New York City SYEP director and now the agency's chief contracting officer. Other than "little silly stuff" – a youth seeing if he might be able to withdraw a million dollars from an ATM machine, for instance – there have been almost "no issues" since the Visa debit card wage-payment system began in 2005, Symon said.

Symon and his successor, Alan Cheng, advised other jurisdictions thinking of going to such a system to incorporate a financial literacy component and encourage the summer workers to open bank accounts, as New York does.

Indeed, cities are stressing that such systems benefit youths as well as governments. "We hope that the real-life experience gained by using payroll debit cards to budget and purchase items will be a practical tool when these students become responsible for their own finances," Narwar Gandhi, Washington's chief financial officer, said in a statement.

Other Innovations

New York is a pioneer in using technology to improve summer youth programming. After adopting the Visa card program in 2005, it instituted other innovations, including a Web-based job application system that gives youths 24-hour access to their application status. Once enrolled in the program, they can go online to report work hours, print out pay stubs and generate W-2 tax forms.

Symon said using the debit cards has also saved the city the cost of scheduling, staffing and providing police protection for pay sites that had to be set up around the city every two weeks during the summer. Youths without bank accounts also avoid having to turn to pricey check-cashing stores to get their biweekly payments.

This year, three banks – Citibank, Commerce and HSBC – have waived fees for use of the cards.

Other cities are following suit. Laksana K. Mack, deputy chief financial officer and treasurer with Washington's Office of Finance and Treasury, said officials "transformed" about improving their payment system after experiencing "significant problems" with electronic benefit transfer (EBT) cards used in previous years. EBTs often are not accepted at ATMs, can get damaged and are costly for the city.

contractors, which are community-based organizations that recruit and monitor youth and reach out to employers. The online innovations and stepped-up youth outreach also led to an increase of about 10,000 applications, Cheng said.

Youths can still submit paper applications, which are available at schools, libraries and other sites. About 65 percent of the applications

this year arrived electronically, an increase from last year's rate of 50 percent, according to SYEP data.

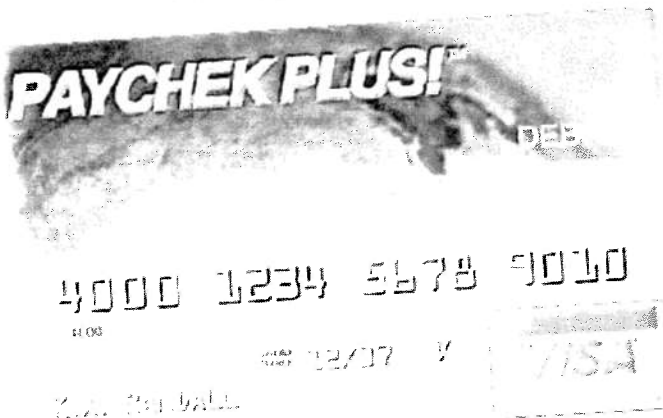
Another payoff: The city reduced from 212 to 53 the number of temporary workers needed each summer to administer the program, mostly by pushing paper. To put "that salary back into summer jobs for young people," said Cheng, meant "the exchange was greater on the side of

young people having more opportunity."

Officials said they've expanded the number of summer work sites from 3,500 in 2005 to more than 6,500 projected for this year. The move away from a paper-laden system has freed SYEP agencies to spend time searching for private-sector employment, which provides youth with more real-world work experiences, Cheng said. SYEP estimated that the availability of such positions rose by 24 percent in 2007 from 2004.

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Washington will save \$145,000 this year by adopting Visa cards for payments because, unlike EBTs, the city is not charged to use them; merchants pay Visa directly.

Washington's Visa cards, provided by JPMorgan Chase, are accepted without fees at any ATM on the All-point network, Mack said. JPMorgan Chase also created a financial literacy DVD that youths viewed during their orientation to the summer program, he said.

The Benefits

New York officials say the technical innovations have led to overall improvements in the program.

The online application system drastically cuts down on the amount of data entry required of the 56 SYEP

The Size of Summer Jobs Programs

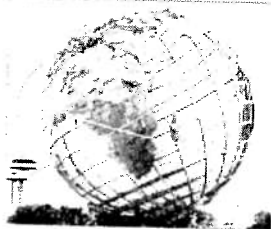
New York, which runs the largest city summer jobs program in the country, enrolled 41,804 participants in 2007.

Youth applicants are chosen by lottery. Only about one of every two applicants gets a slot. The program budget in 2007 was \$56.4 million; the 2008 budget was still being hammered out in mid-June.

The youths earn \$7.15 per hour – or around \$1,200 over the course of the seven-week summer program – at entry-level positions with community organizations, government agencies and private businesses.

Washington's program will employ about 18,000 youths this summer. Funded at \$38 million, it promises every applicant a slot. Youths take positions at government agencies and private companies. Teen workers receive \$6.55 an hour, while college students earn \$10 an hour.

Memphis served 1,285 youths last year in its eight-week program. Los Angeles has a goal of enrolling 10,000 young people in its summer jobs program this year.



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Flushing Summer Youth Job Program Ready To Start Up

BY JOHN TOSCANO



**Assemblymember Ellen
Young.**

An outreach campaign to target youths in Flushing who want to earn some money this summer and also explore career opportunities with businesses and nonprofit organizations has been launched by City Councilmember John Liu and Assemblymember Ellen Young.

Working in conjunction with the LaGuardia Community College workforce Education Center, the lawmakers will offer the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP), which is designed to provide local youths between the ages of 14 and 21 summer employment and educational experiences that build on their individual strengths and incorporate youth development principles.

Mabel Law, executive director of the Flushing Business Improvement District (BID) stated, "Many of our businesses are more than happy to provide economic opportunities for local youth and we look forward to collaborating with our elected officials and LaGuardia C.C. in this outreach effort. We hope to utilize the Summer Youth Employment Program to expand these opportunities and provide exceptional role models for the many young people seeking to develop a business career."

Businesses and non-profit organizations that wish to host a SYEP participant this summer must submit an application by April 18. There is no cost associated with hosting SYEP participants, who will be paid minimum wage stipends by the City Department of Youth and Community Development, Liu and Young explained.

Application forms and additional information about SYEP are available at www.nyc.gov/html/dycdhtml/jobs/summer-youth-employment.shtml.

Liu stated: "As our community grows and flourishes, we need to ensure that everyone shares in the prosperity and economic opportunities available. This is especially true of young people who are about to enter the job market and need the mentoring and support that may not always be available." He urged youths and businesses to participate in the program.

Young said, "This is a win-win situation for both our local businesses and our young people. When our youth get involved in the community, they not only contribute to society as a whole, but they begin to develop the general character necessary to lead responsible and productive lives."

Adjoa Gzifa, associate director of the Workforce Education Center at LaGuardia Community College, stated that this year, the college and the center together this year will offer 1,200 public and private sector summer jobs to youths 14-21 years of age. In addition, youths will participate in educational workshops around work readiness.

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CB 10 YOUTH RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

by *Patrick Rocchio* <http://www.bxtimes.com>

The New York Yankee organization and Ladders for Leaders honored neighborhood youth, who have made a difference by giving back to their community.

The event, hosted by Community Board 10, on Tuesday, March 11, highlighted the best and brightest of Throggs Neck, Pelham Bay, and Co-op City, as the students receive scholarship checks and internship opportunities.

CB 10 district manager Ken Kearns and CB 10 chairwoman Virginia Gallagher welcomed New York Yankee media specialist Rocky Halsey and CB 10's own Patrick Caruso, who helped organize the Ladders for Leaders program, an award organized at the community level by the Throggs Neck Community Action Partnership.

"The Ladders for Leaders program is for talented young people, who have participated in community service and done exceptionally well in school," Kearns expounded about the citywide program.

Two students from Preston High School will be attending leadership workshops on the weekends, where they are learning skills like resume writing and communication, likely culminating with an internship at a company related to a field in which they are interested.

"I would like to thank Ladders for Leaders and [guidance counselor] Mrs. Mulvany for this opportunity," Preston senior Elizabeth De La Toro, who plans to study journalism, said.

Her fellow honoree, Preston senior Evelyn Hernandez, is considering a business internship.

The recipients of the Yankee Leadership Award, which came with a \$500 check that can be put towards school or community service expenses, were Jacqueline Villa, of Truman High School; Hassan Jalalluddin and Robert Santos, both of Lehman High School; Mary Falciano, of Preston High School; and Dessiree Infante, of Monsignor Scanlon High School.

Jalalluddin is no stranger to the award process, but is usually on the other side of the equation. "I help induct juniors into the national honor society," he said, noting that the process is lengthy due to the overall size of the school. Jalalluddin also helps raise money for the robotics team."

The Yankee Leadership Awards are granted yearly to five students in all 12 Bronx community boards. The five CB 10 Yankee scholars have participated in such diverse activities as Santos' efforts in helping to raise money for Darfur and breast cancer research; Villa's decision to serve food to the homeless at the Bowery Mission and Infante's role as a leader in the campus ministry.

Another Yankee scholar also expressed that service, in itself, has intrinsic rewards.

"The scholarship is great," commented Falciano, "but more important is to know that all of my many years of service and leadership since the fourth grade have paid off."

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Ah, summer.

The time when the days grow long, the air gets warm and the part-time jobs start hiring.

If you're looking for a summer job, working for a non-profit organization not only provides a paycheck, but also gives the worker satisfaction knowing his or her efforts are being plowed for a charity.

[Craigslis](#)t has a list of no-profits looking for summer help.

And thanks to the Federal Recovery Act Stimulus Funding, a youth summer work program is available.

Worksystems, Inc., contracts with 12 Youth Provider Agencies in Multnomah and Washington Counties to deliver program services. The [Youth SummerWorks](#) Program funding will be contracted to the existing agencies. These agencies will be responsible to recruit youth and determine if they meet the program eligibility requirements; and develop appropriate worksites for youth participants.

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GUEST OPINION

Productive summers mean student success

MY VIEW • Summer Youth Corps will help with jobs, college visits, other activities

BY SAM ADAMS AND TED WHEELER

, Jun 11, 2009

We know a lot of what it takes to ensure student academic success. For many, a productive summer is key.

Students who work at a summer job are more likely to stay in school and graduate.

Students behind on core graduation credits who attend summer school are more likely to graduate from high school. But budget cuts driven by the current recession will reduce summer school opportunities and risk increasing the dropout rate.

Our state legislators and governor face extremely difficult choices in putting together a balanced budget during the worst recession in a generation. We know their challenges — we have had to make cuts to our city and county budgets as well.

We pledge to continue our efforts toward finding a long-term fix for education funding. Our schools, our teachers, and our students deserve it and our community desperately needs it.

One tangible way to do that right now is to focus on making this summer a productive one for local youth.

At the beginning of the year, we formed an Education Cabinet — bringing leaders of school districts, nonprofit organizations, public sector professionals and private-sector partners together to design and implement real solutions. Through this effort, we have created the Summer Youth Corps, an umbrella city and county public-private effort that helps provide summer jobs, recreational activities, college visits and workplace internships for thousands of local youths.

Summer Youth Corps is designed to support those students most at risk of not completing school on time, or at all. It is an academic safety net for the many students who, in these tough school budget times, are hit hardest. Youth Corps expands students' knowledge of career opportunities and work experience so that they are motivated to pursue education after graduation.

The Summer Youth Corps includes:

- More than 1,500 jobs through city bureaus — like the Bureau of Environmental Services' Grey to Green program, Parks & Recreation's aquatics program, the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability's Youth Planning Program and jobs in the private sector working with our regional workforce provider, Worksystems, Inc.
- A pilot program for 10th graders to provide credit recovery courses and paid internships with local public employers;
- Continued county and city funding for the nationally-recognized SUN Service System, including SUN Community Schools and youth case management services.

- City funding to neighborhood nonprofits to continue providing their proven, youth-focused, anti-violence intervention programs through the Office of Youth Violence Prevention;
- Joint city and county bridge funding to the pilot Restorative Justice Program at Parkrose Schools, a program that shifts the focus from punishment and school exclusion to restoration and school engagement — and ultimately increasing graduation.

We also have invested in the Portland Schools Foundation's "Ninth Grade Counts" initiative to provide career and college visits for up to 500 incoming 9th graders. High school seems more important to youths who are beginning to think about their futures and who see real opportunities ahead for them.

These summertime opportunities will help youths to earn money, gain real-world work experience, learn about real-world career opportunities and stay in high school.

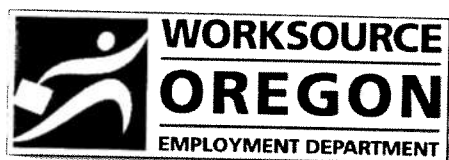
But we need employers who can host a business visit for a group of students to come and learn about what you do. And we need volunteers to spend a few of their summer days accompanying youths on their career and college site visits. Call Reese Lord at 503-823-4027 for more information.

A summer is a terrible thing to waste. Especially when a summer better spent can mean the difference between a student graduating from high school or dropping out.

Sam Adams is mayor of Portland. Ted Wheeler is chairman of the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners.

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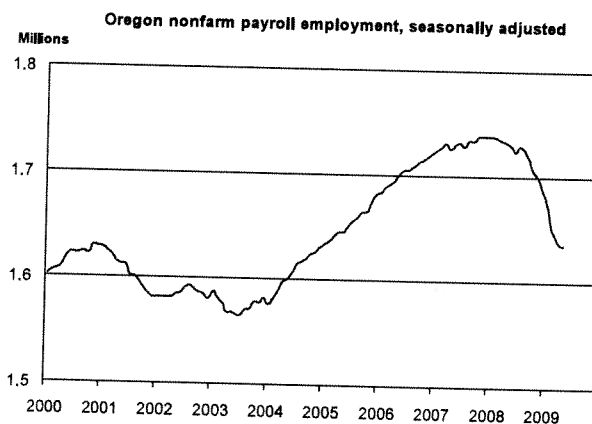
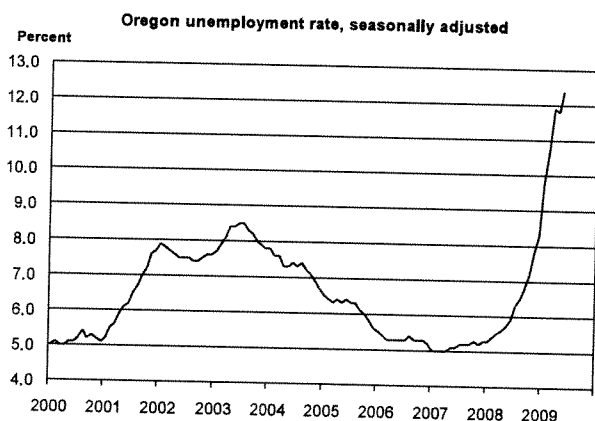
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Oregon's Employment Situation: May 2009

Oregon's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose to 12.4 percent in May compared with 11.8 percent (as revised) in April. The 12.4 percent reading was the highest on record since the current series began in 1976, topping the previous high mark of 12.1 percent set in November 1982.

The state's unemployment rate remains more than twice as high as its year-ago level of 5.7 percent in May 2008. The U.S. seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose to 9.4 percent in May, from 8.9 percent in April.

In May, Oregon's seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment declined by 100 jobs, following a drop of 8,100 (as revised) in April. The May employment figures were by far the smallest job loss of any month over the past 10 months.



Industry Payroll Employment (Establishment Survey Data)

In May, most of the major industries followed their normal seasonal patterns. This was in contrast with the prior eight months, when many industries cut employment sharply below normal seasonal expectations. In May, all of the major industries except two saw their employment change by within 600 jobs of their normal seasonal movement.

Manufacturing was one exception, where employment continued to fall below normal seasonal

patterns. It cut 1,300 jobs on a seasonally adjusted basis. Leisure and hospitality was the other exception, as it grew by 1,600 jobs on a seasonally adjusted basis.

Manufacturing cut 700 jobs during a month where a gain of 600 is the normal seasonal movement. This major driver of the state's economy has been shedding jobs for three years. Losses had been particularly severe during the fourth quarter of 2008 and the first quarter of this year. The cuts in May, while substantial, were at a slower rate than during the past several months.

Durable goods manufacturing again accounted for all of the manufacturing declines, as it cut 1,200 jobs in May and is down 26,700 from its year-ago figure. At 118,000 jobs, durable goods is now down 38,900 jobs or nearly 25 percent from its recent peak of 156,900 in August 2006. Nondurable goods has been holding up much better, as it added 500 jobs in May and is only down 1,500 since May 2008.

Primary metals manufacturing cut 600 jobs as it continued to plunge. The industry employed 7,700 in May, near its lowest level of the past 20 years. Similarly, machinery cut another 200 in May, to reach 9,100 jobs, down sharply from 12,000 a year prior. Paper manufacturing continued to be the weak performer in nondurable goods. It cut 100 jobs to reach 5,100, which was down sharply from its year-ago figure of 6,000 jobs.

Professional and business services slowed its rate of descent in May, with a loss of only 100 jobs. However, this came at a time of year when a gain of 500 is the normal seasonal change. The industry had been declining rapidly since the summer of 2008. Since May 2008, it is down 17,200 jobs or 8.7 percent, making it the most rapidly falling of the service-providing industry sectors.

Rare job gains were posted in employment services (+900 jobs) and services to buildings and dwellings (+300 jobs). These gains helped boost administrative and waste services by 2,100 in May.

Professional and technical services, which makes up about 40 percent of the larger category called "professional and business services", had been holding up relatively well over the past two years. However, it has shown some weakness over the past three months, shedding 2,300 jobs on a seasonally adjusted basis over that period.

Financial activities continued on its downward slide of the past two years, slipping 400 jobs when a gain of 100 is the normal seasonal expectation. The industry has cut 6,900 jobs, or 6.7 percent of its workforce since May 2008. Both component industries were down slightly in May: finance and insurance (-100 jobs) and real estate and rental and leasing (-300).

Leisure and hospitality bounced back somewhat in May following a steep employment drop between October and March. It added 4,900 jobs for the month when a gain of only 3,300 is the normal seasonal movement. These added jobs erased about a fifth of the seasonally adjusted job losses experienced in the industry since October.

All of the gains in May were seen in accommodation and food services. Accommodation added 800, while food services and drinking places added 4,900. Despite these one-month additions, all published industries within accommodation and food services are still down substantially since May 2008.

Construction posted a gain of 1,700 jobs in May, when a gain of only 1,100 is the normal seasonal movement. This encouraging news follows several months of steep seasonally adjusted job losses. Seasonally adjusted employment in construction was 79,500 in May, which was above the April reading, but still below the March figure of 80,900.

Each of the three major components of construction added jobs in May. Heavy and civil engineering construction added 900, construction of buildings added 300, and specialty trade contractors added 500.

Trade, transportation, and utilities added 1,900 jobs at a time of year when a gain of 1,300 would be normal. This was the first seasonally adjusted job gain for the industry in 16 months. Wholesale trade bounced back slightly with a gain of 300. Transportation, warehousing and utilities also rebounded somewhat, with a gain of 600 jobs. Despite the one-month gains, all industries in the larger sector of trade, transportation, and utilities are down substantially over the past year.

Unemployment (Household Survey Data)

In May, Oregon's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate rose to 12.4 percent from a revised 11.8 percent in April.

While the May unemployment rate is at a historically high level, the increase in Oregon's unemployment rate has moderated over the last two months. Between March and May, the rate rose from 11.9 percent to 12.4 percent. This is an increase of 0.5 percentage point over a two-month period. This moderation in the rise of the unemployment rate followed a trend of very rapid monthly increases between October 2008 (when the rate was 7.2 percent) and March 2009. During this five-month period, the rate rose by an average of nearly a full percentage point per month.

In May, 240,615 Oregonians were unemployed. In May 2008, 103,441 Oregonians were unemployed.

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for June 2009 on Monday, July 13, 2009.

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For help finding jobs and training resources, visit one of the state's WorkSource Oregon Centers or go to: www.WorkSourceOregon.org.

Equal Opportunity program — auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

Oregon Current Labor Force and Industry Employment

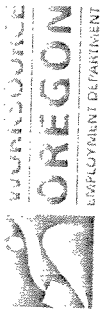
	May 2009	April 2009	May 2008	Change From April 2009	Change From May 2008
Labor Force Status					
Civilian labor force	1,992,473	1,995,969	1,942,642	-3,496	49,831
Unemployed	240,615	238,294	103,441	2,321	137,174
Unemployment rate	12.1	11.9	5.3	0.2	6.8
Unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted	12.4	11.8	5.7	0.6	6.7
Employed	1,751,858	1,757,675	1,839,201	-5,817	-87,343
Nonfarm Payroll Employment					
Total nonfarm payroll employment	1,643,600	1,633,900	1,736,000	9,700	-92,400
Total private	1,332,700	1,326,100	1,430,000	6,600	-97,300
Mining and logging	7,100	6,900	8,400	200	-1,300
Logging	5,300	5,100	6,400	200	-1,100
Construction	78,300	76,600	96,000	1,700	-17,700
Construction of buildings	19,300	19,000	23,100	300	-3,800
Residential building construction	12,100	11,900	13,600	200	-1,500
Nonresidential building construction	7,200	7,100	9,500	100	-2,300
Heavy and civil engineering construction	9,500	8,600	11,500	900	-2,000
Specialty trade contractors	49,500	49,000	61,400	500	-11,900
Building foundation and exterior contractors	10,700	10,200	12,300	500	-1,600
Building equipment contractors	19,200	19,200	25,100	0	-5,900
Building finishing contractors	12,500	13,000	15,300	-500	-2,800
Other specialty trade contractors	7,100	6,600	8,700	500	-1,600
Manufacturing	167,900	168,600	196,100	-700	-28,200
Durable goods	118,000	119,200	144,700	-1,200	-26,700
Wood product manufacturing	21,000	21,100	27,000	-100	-6,000
Sawmills and wood preservation	6,400	6,400	7,400	0	-1,000
Plywood and engineered wood product mfg.	6,700	6,800	9,200	-100	-2,500
Other wood product manufacturing	7,900	7,900	10,400	0	-2,500
Primary metal manufacturing	7,700	8,300	9,700	-600	-2,000
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	15,000	14,700	17,200	300	-2,200
Machinery manufacturing	9,100	9,300	12,000	-200	-2,900
Computer and electronic product manufacturing	35,100	35,000	39,300	100	-4,200
Computer and peripheral equipment mfg.	3,500	3,500	3,600	0	-100
Semiconductor and electronic component mfg.	25,600	25,600	28,200	0	-2,600
Electronic instrument manufacturing	5,500	5,400	5,900	100	-400
Transportation equipment manufacturing	11,400	11,500	15,900	-100	-4,500
Nondurable goods	49,900	49,400	51,400	500	-1,500
Food manufacturing	24,400	23,800	22,400	600	2,000
Fruit and vegetable preserving and specialty	10,200	9,800	8,900	400	1,300
Paper manufacturing	5,100	5,200	6,000	-100	-900
Trade, transportation, and utilities	311,600	309,700	335,400	1,900	-23,800
Wholesale trade	74,400	74,100	80,800	300	-6,400
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	32,800	32,700	36,400	100	-3,600
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	28,800	28,500	31,400	300	-2,600
Electronic markets and agents and brokers	12,800	12,900	13,000	-100	-200
Retail trade	183,400	182,400	195,300	1,000	-11,900
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	22,600	22,500	26,500	100	-3,900
Building material and garden supply stores	14,500	14,200	15,700	300	-1,200
Food and beverage stores	38,400	38,000	38,700	400	-300
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	14,100	14,000	16,500	100	-2,400
Sporting goods, hobby, book and music stores	8,600	8,600	10,000	0	-1,400
General merchandise stores	37,500	37,600	37,600	-100	-100
Miscellaneous store retailers	10,000	9,900	11,300	100	-1,300
Nonstore retailers	5,200	5,300	6,200	-100	-1,000

	May 2009	April 2009	May 2008	Change From April 2009	Change From May 2008
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities	53,800	53,200	59,300	600	-5,500
Utilities	4,700	4,600	4,800	100	-100
Transportation and warehousing	49,100	48,600	54,500	500	-5,400
Air transportation	4,200	4,200	4,600	0	-400
Truck transportation	16,000	15,900	18,700	100	-2,700
Couriers and messengers	5,900	5,900	6,600	0	-700
Warehousing and storage	7,300	7,200	8,000	100	-700
Information	34,800	35,000	36,300	-200	-1,500
Publishing industries, except internet	14,800	14,900	15,800	-100	-1,000
Newspaper, book, and directory publishers	5,900	5,900	6,500	0	-600
Software publishers	8,900	9,000	9,300	-100	-400
Telecommunications	8,200	8,200	8,200	0	0
Financial activities	95,900	96,300	102,800	-400	-6,900
Finance and insurance	60,200	60,300	61,900	-100	-1,700
Credit intermediation and related activities	27,400	27,500	29,700	-100	-2,300
Insurance carriers and related activities	27,700	27,700	27,000	0	700
Real estate and rental and leasing	35,700	36,000	40,900	-300	-5,200
Real estate	29,700	29,400	33,200	300	-3,500
Professional and business services	180,400	180,500	197,600	-100	-17,200
Professional and technical services	71,300	73,400	72,600	-2,100	-1,300
Legal services	12,400	12,300	12,400	100	0
Architectural and engineering services	14,400	14,400	15,200	0	-800
Computer systems design and related services	9,700	9,800	9,700	-100	0
Management of companies and enterprises	29,600	29,700	30,900	-100	-1,300
Administrative and waste services	79,500	77,400	94,100	2,100	-14,600
Administrative and support services	72,600	70,900	88,700	1,700	-16,100
Employment services	26,200	25,300	37,300	900	-11,100
Business support services	14,000	14,000	15,400	0	-1,400
Services to buildings and dwellings	19,900	19,600	21,700	300	-1,800
Educational and health services	226,300	227,400	220,200	-1,100	6,100
Educational services	34,100	35,500	31,200	-1,400	2,900
Health care and social assistance	192,200	191,900	189,000	300	3,200
Ambulatory health care services	67,700	67,200	67,100	500	600
Hospitals	53,700	53,600	52,400	100	1,300
Nursing and residential care facilities	40,200	40,500	39,700	-300	500
Social assistance	30,600	30,600	29,800	0	800
Leisure and hospitality	169,600	164,700	175,500	4,900	-5,900
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	23,900	24,700	23,600	-800	300
Amusement, gambling, and recreation	17,800	18,000	17,400	-200	400
Accommodation and food services	145,700	140,000	151,900	5,700	-6,200
Accommodation	19,700	18,900	22,200	800	-2,500
Food services and drinking places	126,000	121,100	129,700	4,900	-3,700
Full-service restaurants	58,900	56,600	63,900	2,300	-5,000
Limited-service eating places	54,200	52,300	55,200	1,900	-1,000
Other services	60,800	60,400	61,700	400	-900
Repair and maintenance	16,500	16,600	17,500	-100	-1,000
Personal and laundry services	13,300	13,200	13,700	100	-400
Membership associations and organizations	31,000	30,600	30,500	400	500
Religious organizations	17,200	17,100	17,400	100	-200
Government	310,900	307,800	306,000	3,100	4,900
Federal government	30,400	30,700	29,300	-300	1,100
State government	79,900	79,300	77,900	600	2,000
State education	30,900	30,800	29,800	100	1,100
Local government	200,600	197,800	198,800	2,800	1,800
Indian tribal	8,200	8,100	8,500	100	-300
Local education	109,700	108,100	107,500	1,600	2,200
Labor-management disputes	0	0	0	0	0

The most recent month is preliminary, the prior month is revised. Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Labor Force Status: Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence. Employed includes nonfarm payroll employment, self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, agriculture and labor disputants. Unemployment rate is calculated by dividing unemployed by civilian labor force.

Nonfarm Payroll Employment: Data are by place of work and cover full- and part-time employees who worked or received pay for the pay period that includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers, unpaid family workers, and domestics. "Natural resources" includes only Logging (NAICS 1133).



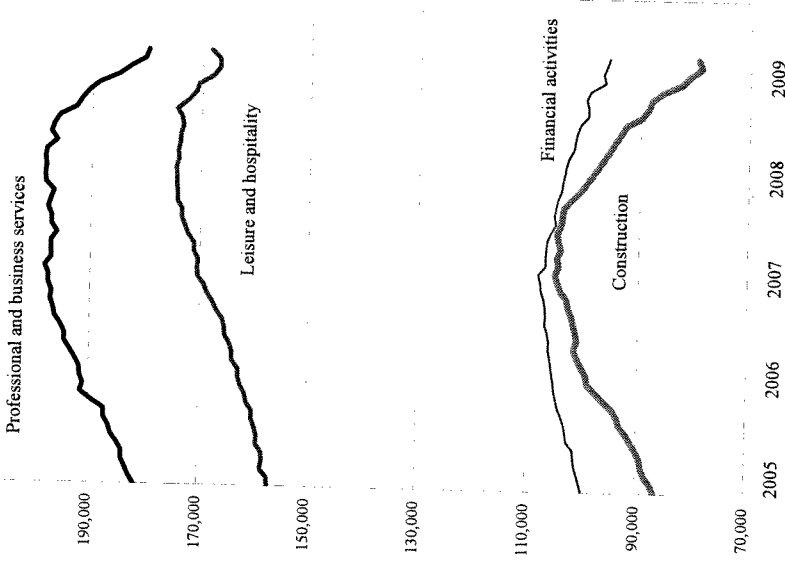
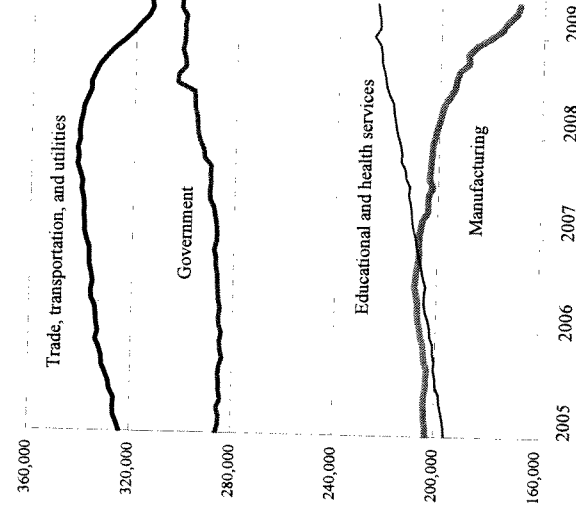
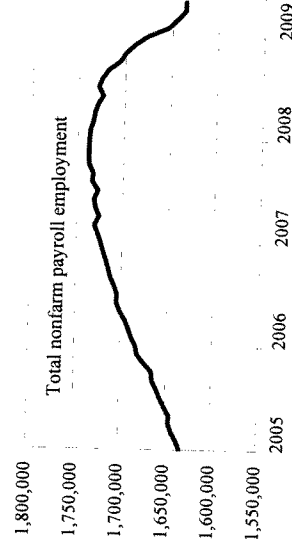
Oregon Seasonally Adjusted Employment

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(Most recent 13 months)

Industry	May 2008	Jun 2008	Jul 2008	Aug 2008	Sep 2008	Oct 2008	Nov 2008	Dec 2008	Jan 2009	Feb 2009	Mar 2009	Apr 2009	May 2009
Total nonfarm—monthly change	-3,200	-5,700	5,400	-3,800	-6,900	-12,600	-5,600	-10,400	-13,000	-22,800	-9,700	-8,100	-100
Total nonfarm	1,729,200	1,723,500	1,728,900	1,725,100	1,718,200	1,705,600	1,700,000	1,689,600	1,676,600	1,653,800	1,644,100	1,636,000	1,635,900
Mining and logging	8,600	8,500	8,600	8,700	8,700	8,400	8,500	8,500	8,100	7,400	7,400	7,300	7,000
Construction	96,500	95,400	94,600	93,500	92,600	89,800	88,600	88,000	86,000	82,400	80,900	78,900	79,500
Manufacturing	198,200	196,100	194,100	193,700	192,600	188,900	189,300	186,400	180,800	176,400	174,200	170,800	169,500
Trade, transportation, and utilities	338,600	337,200	337,100	335,600	334,200	331,500	328,300	324,500	320,800	318,200	315,000	313,400	314,000
Information	36,300	36,600	36,100	36,200	36,100	35,900	36,000	35,700	34,500	34,600	35,000	35,000	34,800
Financial activities	102,900	102,100	101,800	101,500	100,900	99,600	99,600	99,900	99,200	96,500	96,900	96,300	95,800
Professional and business services	198,100	196,300	197,400	196,900	195,900	192,900	191,900	190,600	188,800	185,200	183,000	180,400	179,800
Educational and health services	218,200	219,800	221,000	221,500	222,100	223,000	223,200	223,700	225,900	223,800	223,900	224,500	224,800
Leisure and hospitality	174,200	173,900	173,800	173,300	173,600	174,500	172,500	171,100	170,600	167,900	166,800	166,800	168,400
Other services	61,100	61,000	61,200	61,200	61,300	60,600	60,600	60,400	61,300	60,600	60,900	60,400	60,400
Government	296,500	296,600	303,200	303,000	300,200	300,500	301,500	300,800	300,600	300,800	300,100	302,200	301,900

Notes: The most recent month is a preliminary figure.



**Seasonal Expectations and
Over-the-Month Employment Changes**

April 2009 to May 2009

INDUSTRY	OVER THE MONTH		
	Normal	Unadjusted OTM Change	Seasonally
	Seasonal Movements		Adjusted OTM Change
Total nonfarm payroll employment	9,800	9,700	-100
Mining and logging	500	200	-300
Construction	1,100	1,700	600
Manufacturing	600	-700	-1,300
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,300	1,900	600
Information	0	-200	-200
Financial activities	100	-400	-500
Professional and business services	500	-100	-600
Educational and health services	-1,400	-1,100	300
Leisure and hospitality	3,300	4,900	1,600
Other services	400	400	0
Government	3,400	3,100	-300



Oregon Labor Force and Industry Employment 2009

	Annual Average	Jan.*	Feb.*	March*	April*	May**	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Labor Force Status													
Civilian labor force		1,975,599	1,986,029	1,991,769	1,995,969	1,992,473							
Unemployed		211,979	232,568	252,155	238,294	240,615							
Unemployment rate		10.7	11.7	12.7	11.9	12.1							
Unemployment rate, seasonally adjusted		9.8	10.7	11.9	11.8	12.4							
Employed		1,763,620	1,753,461	1,739,614	1,757,675	1,751,858							
Nonfarm Payroll Employment													
Total nonfarm payroll employment		1,646,300	1,635,300	1,634,500	1,633,900	1,643,600							
Total private		1,344,600	1,328,800	1,327,500	1,326,100	1,332,700							
Mining and logging		7,600	6,900	6,900	6,900	7,100							
Logging		5,700	5,300	5,100	5,100	5,300							
Construction		81,000	77,900	77,000	76,600	78,300							
Construction of buildings		19,700	18,900	18,600	19,000	19,300							
Residential building construction		11,500	11,300	11,300	11,300	11,900							
Nonresidential building construction		8,200	7,600	7,300	7,100	7,200							
Heavy and civil engineering construction		9,100	8,900	8,800	8,600	9,500							
Specialty trade contractors		52,200	50,100	49,600	49,000	49,500							
Building foundation and exterior contractors		10,500	10,100	10,200	10,200	10,700							
Building equipment contractors		21,200	19,700	19,200	19,200	19,200							
Building finishing contractors		13,500	13,000	13,500	13,000	12,500							
Other specialty trade contractors		7,000	7,300	6,700	6,600	7,100							
Manufacturing		177,400	173,700	171,700	168,600	167,900							
Durable goods		127,400	124,200	122,000	119,200	118,000							
Wood product manufacturing		24,000	22,900	22,100	21,100	21,000							
Sawmills and wood preservation		7,100	6,900	6,900	6,400	6,400							
Plywood and engineered wood product mfg.		7,700	7,400	7,300	6,800	6,700							
Other wood product manufacturing		9,200	8,600	8,600	7,900	7,900							
Primary metal manufacturing		9,300	8,400	8,600	8,300	7,700							
Fabricated metal product manufacturing		16,200	15,800	15,300	14,700	15,000							
Machinery manufacturing		10,700	10,300	9,900	9,300	9,100							
Computer and electronic product manufacturing		36,300	35,800	35,200	35,000	35,100							
Computer and peripheral equipment mfg.		3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500							
Semiconductor and electronic component mfg.		26,400	26,100	25,900	25,600	25,600							
Electronic instrument manufacturing		5,400	5,400	5,300	5,400	5,500							
Transportation equipment manufacturing		12,200	11,000	11,200	11,500	11,400							
Nondurable goods		50,000	49,500	49,700	49,400	49,900							
Food manufacturing		23,000	23,400	23,800	24,400	24,400							
Fruit and vegetable preserving and specialty		9,200	9,700	9,700	9,800	10,200							
Paper manufacturing		5,900	5,800	5,600	5,200	5,100							
Trade, transportation, and utilities		316,800	311,000	309,600	309,700	311,600							
Wholesale trade		76,400	75,300	74,500	74,100	74,400							
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods		33,500	33,500	33,000	32,700	32,800							
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods		29,900	29,000	28,800	28,500	28,800							
Electronic markets and agents and brokers		13,000	12,800	12,700	12,900	12,800							
Retail trade		185,800	182,000	181,600	182,400	183,400							
Motor vehicle and parts dealers		22,300	22,200	22,200	22,500	22,600							
Building material and garden supply stores		13,900	14,100	13,900	14,200	14,500							
Food and beverage stores		38,800	38,500	38,200	38,000	38,400							
Clothing and clothing accessories stores		15,100	14,600	14,200	14,000	14,100							
Sporting goods, hobby, book and music stores		9,100	8,400	8,500	8,600	8,600							
General merchandise stores		38,000	37,400	37,500	37,600	37,500							
Miscellaneous store retailers		9,900	9,800	9,900	9,900	10,000							
Nonstore retailers		5,700	5,000	5,100	5,300	5,200							

	Annual Average	Jan.*	Feb.*	March*	April*	May**	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Oregon Dec.
Transportation, warehousing, and utilities		54,600	53,700	53,500	53,200	53,800							
Utilities		4,800	4,700										
Transportation and warehousing		49,800	49,000	48,800	48,600	49,100							
Air transportation		4,300	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200							
Truck transportation		16,200	15,900	15,900	15,900	16,000							
Couriers and messengers		6,200	6,000	6,000	5,900	5,900							
Warehousing and storage		7,400	7,300	7,300	7,200	7,300							
Information		34,500	34,600	35,000	35,000	34,800							
Publishing industries, except internet		15,000	15,000	15,000	14,900	14,800							
Newspaper, book, and directory publishers		6,000	6,000	6,000	5,900	5,900							
Software publishers		9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000	8,900							
Telecommunications		8,200	8,200	8,200	8,200	8,200							
Financial activities		97,600	95,600	96,100	96,300	95,900							
Finance and insurance		60,300	59,800	60,300	60,300	60,200							
Credit intermediation and related activities		27,500	27,300	27,500	27,500	27,400							
Insurance carriers and related activities		27,700	27,400	27,800	27,700	27,700							
Real estate and rental and leasing		37,300	35,800	35,800	36,000	35,700							
Real estate		31,000	29,500	29,400	29,400	29,400							
Professional and business services		182,200	181,100	180,600	180,500	180,400							
Professional and technical services		72,400	73,800	73,400	73,400	71,300							
Legal services		12,300	12,300	12,300	12,300	12,400							
Architectural and engineering services		14,300	14,200	14,300	14,400	14,400							
Computer systems design and related services		9,800	9,800	9,800	9,800	9,700							
Management of companies and enterprises		30,200	29,900	29,700	29,700	29,600							
Administrative and waste services		79,600	77,400	77,500	77,400	79,500							
Administrative and support services		73,100	71,500	71,400	70,900	72,600							
Employment services		26,100	25,600	25,500	25,300	26,200							
Business support services		13,800	14,100	14,000	14,000	14,000							
Services to buildings and dwellings		19,000	18,600	19,300	19,600	19,900							
Educational and health services		224,000	225,900	226,700	227,400	226,300							
Educational services		32,000	33,800	34,700	35,500	34,100							
Health care and social assistance		192,000	192,100	192,000	191,900	192,200							
Ambulatory health care services		67,900	67,400	67,500	67,200	67,700							
Hospitals		53,900	54,000	54,000	53,600	53,700							
Nursing and residential care facilities		40,100	40,100	40,100	40,500	40,200							
Social assistance		30,100	30,600	30,400	30,600	30,600							
Leisure and hospitality		163,400	162,000	163,000	164,700	169,600							
Arts, entertainment, and recreation		23,200	23,300	23,300	24,700	23,900							
Amusement, gambling, and recreation		17,300	17,500	17,800	18,000	17,800							
Accommodation and food services		140,200	138,700	139,700	140,000	145,700							
Accommodation		18,900	18,800	18,500	18,900	19,700							
Food services and drinking places		121,300	119,900	121,200	121,100	126,000							
Full-service restaurants		57,300	56,300	56,600	56,600	58,900							
Limited-service eating places		51,300	50,800	52,000	52,300	54,200							
Other services		60,100	60,100	60,900	60,400	60,800							
Repair and maintenance		16,500	16,600	17,000	16,600	16,500							
Personal and laundry services		13,200	13,100	13,200	13,200	13,300							
Membership associations and organizations		30,400	30,400	30,700	30,600	31,000							
Religious organizations		17,200	17,200	17,300	17,100	17,200							
Government		301,700	306,500	307,000	307,800	310,900							
Federal government		28,700	28,900	28,800	30,700	30,400							
State government		77,800	79,100	79,800	79,300	79,900							
State education		29,300	30,700	31,300	30,800	30,900							
Local government		195,200	198,500	198,400	197,800	200,600							
Local education		8,200	8,100	8,000	8,100	8,200							
Indian tribal		106,000	109,200	108,900	108,100	109,700							
Labor-management disputes		200	200	0	0	0							

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Labor Force Status: Civilian labor force includes employed and unemployed individuals 16 years and older by place of residence. Employed includes nonfarm payroll employment, self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics, agriculture, and labor disputants. Unemployment rate is calculated by dividing unemployed by civilian labor force.

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U.S. Department of Labor announces grant exceeding \$643,000 to assist workers in Oregon affected by layoffs

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Department of Labor today announced a \$643,661 grant to assist approximately 90 workers affected by layoffs at GE Security Inc. located in Tualatin, Ore. On Jan. 8, the company announced the permanent modification of operations at the Tualatin facility, resulting in significant layoffs.

"Today's grant will allow these workers to access the employment and training services necessary to gain re-employment in growing regional industries," said Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis.

All workers targeted for services also have been certified by the Labor Department as eligible for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA). Through today's grant, the workers will be provided with access to "wrap-around" services that are not available through the TAA program. These include career counseling, job search assistance, job placement and follow-up services.

This grant will be awarded to the Oregon Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development and operated by Worksystems Inc., a nonprofit organization working to build a comprehensive workforce development system that supports individual prosperity and business competitiveness.

Funding will be awarded through resources made available for National Emergency Grants under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

National Emergency Grants are part of the secretary of labor's discretionary fund and are awarded based on a state's ability to meet specific guidelines. For more information, visit <http://www.doleta.gov/NEG>.

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The Philadelphia Inquirer

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Editorial: More summer jobs

There's a ray of good news for unemployed workers and teens seeking summer jobs in the city.

Due to \$14.1 million in extra funding from the federal government, the Philadelphia Workforce Development Corp. and the Philadelphia Youth Network will provide more job retraining for unemployed workers, and more minimum-wage jobs for teens.

The money from President Obama's economic stimulus plan will boost the nonprofits' budgets by nearly 50 percent. About 2,500 teenagers should get summer jobs, which are notoriously difficult to find in the city. For households hit hard by the recession, a little extra income from a young family member can only help.

At least 700 city residents will benefit from education and training programs, with thousands more having access to job-search services at local CareerLink Centers. The Philadelphia Workforce Investment Board is expected to make at least \$1 million in awards by June to begin new programs.

Mayor Nutter wisely intends a majority of the funding to be directed to training for high-growth industries such as green building and construction.



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2009

Nutter To Announce Funds for Summer Jobs

This is coming up this afternoon:

MAYOR NUTTER, PHILADELPHIA YOUTH NETWORK TO ANNOUNCE SUMMER JOBS FOR YOUTH FUNDED BY RECOVERY ACT

WHO: Mayor Michael A. Nutter

Kenneth Lawrence, Temple University Senior Vice President for Government, Community and Public Affairs
Stacy Holland, Co-President of the Philadelphia Youth Network

WHAT: Mayor Nutter and Philadelphia Youth Network will announce \$7.4 million in federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) funding for youth employment available to the City. These dollars will provide employment for 2,500 young people this summer. In total, Philadelphia will provide 9,000 jobs to youth this summer through the WorkReady program.

WHERE: Temple University TECH Center, 12th and Montgomery Streets

WHEN: Wednesday June 24, 2009 3:00 pm

Stimulus, Greater Philadelphia Chamber aiding Phila. summer jobs program

Philadelphia Business Journal - by Athena D. Merritt Staff Writer

WorkReady Philadelphia's programs will put nearly 9,000 young people to work this summer with the help of \$7.4 million in federal recovery funds and another year of support from the **Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce**, the Mayor's Office announced Wednesday.

WorkReady programs, which are generally available to youths from 14 to 21 years old, employed 7,898 last summer.

The city's allocation from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for youth employment is expected to help employ more than 2,500 this summer, Mayor Michael Nutter said. Another 1,000 paid summer internships will be provided through the Chamber's initiative, which is entering its third year and has received the support of 120 regional businesses, foundations and nonprofits. A total of 96 companies returned as participants this year despite the economy, which is an 80 percent retention rate, the Chamber said.

"Our region's young people need us now more than ever," Chamber President and CEO Mark Schweiker said. "This campaign demonstrates that the businesses community is not sitting on the sidelines at this critical time."

Internships for the chamber's six-week program are filled by students who will enter 11th grade or higher in the fall and costs each employer about \$1,600 per position, which includes the intern's salary and the cost of administering the program. Interns work a minimum of 20 hours per week Monday through Thursday and attend professional development programs off-site on Fridays. The chamber and Nutter recruited businesses and WorkReady Philadelphia recruited students for the program, which begins July 6.

The chamber's initiative, which is run by the Philadelphia Youth Network, provided 441 paid summer intern positions in 2006, 1,049 in 2007 and 1,500 last year. The Network, which is under contract with the Philadelphia Workforce Investment Board, is managing the use of the ARRA funds and WorkReady programs. The state's work force investment boards will use ARRA funds to create an estimated 8,692 summer youth jobs across Pennsylvania.

KYW Newsradio 1060

Posted: Saturday, 27 June 2009 7:04AM

Phila. Youth Network Finds Thousands of Teens Work

by KYW's Pat Loeb

Despite the economy, the Philadelphia Youth Network actually has more jobs for teenagers, this summer. Federal stimulus money has created thousands of new jobs.

Nearly 9,000 will be put to work in the city, this summer. According to Melissa Orner of **the Philadelphia Youth Network**, that's more than either of the last two years:

"We've always had about 3,000 kids on the waiting list each year and we probably will have kids on the waiting list again, but we expect to serve more kids this summer than we have in the past couple because of the stimulus act money."

Philadelphia is eligible for about \$7.5 Million dollars for youth employment from the recovery act.

Orner says the jobs vary but all provide the teenagers with more than the short-term benefit of summer wages:

"Young people get exposed to careers that they otherwise wouldn't have."

Monday, June 29, 2009

Business Community Steps Up to Provide 1,000 Paid Internships for Philadelphia Youth

Posted at 9:45 AM

The Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce will kick off its paid summer internships program for the third consecutive year when 1,000 Philadelphia young people begin work at local companies on July 6, 2009.

This six-week program is an initiative by the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with Mayor Michael Nutter and WorkReady Philadelphia to create paid workplace opportunities.

The initiative is being supported by 120 regional businesses, foundations, and nonprofit organizations that contributed either paid internship positions or funding for a position. Despite the troubled economy, 96 companies are returning participants from last year, which represents 80% retention.

The Chamber, along with its partners, has helped to identify more than 3,500 positions over the past three summers. Mark Schweiker, President & CEO, Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, notes that this campaign has been successful because the Chamber's 5,000 member companies recognized the need and responded.

"Our region's young people need us now more than ever," said Schweiker. "This campaign demonstrates that the businesses community is not sitting on the sidelines at this critical time."

The benefits of this program are two-fold, he said. Interns help employers grow their businesses by boosting summer productivity and completing important short-term projects. And internships represent a long-term investment in our region's success because they give young people the tools to become capable future employees.

Mayor Nutter personally contacted business executives to encourage their support of this important program.

"The Chamber has made incredible strides over recent years to increase the number of internships available at businesses throughout the city and region," said Mayor Nutter. "Giving young people the chance to experience the opportunities that exist beyond their neighborhoods and to experience a professional environment is crucial to positioning Philadelphia for success."

While the Chamber and Mayor Nutter reached out to the business community for positions, WorkReady Philadelphia managed student outreach. WorkReady Philadelphia is managed by Philadelphia Youth Network (PYN) in collaboration with dozens of public and private organizations including Philadelphia Academies, Inc. and the United Way of Southeastern PA. The Chamber's corporate partner is TD Bank, which will hire 25 interns this summer.

"As business leaders, we have the ability — and even more, the responsibility — to help provide the city's young people with the crucial career enhancement skills and inspiration needed to help them reach their full potential," said Mike Carbone, Metro Philadelphia President of TD Bank.

Each position costs the employer about \$1,600, which includes intern salary and program administration for the six-week program. Interns work at least 20 hours per week Monday through Thursday and attend professional development programs off-site on Fridays.

Internships were filled by Philadelphia students who will enter 11th grade or higher in the fall. All students were pre-screened by PYN and interviewed by the prospective employers.

In 2006, PYN's paid summer internship program had 441 positions. The following year, when the Chamber partnered with PYN, 1,049 positions were identified. Last year, the figure rose to 1,500 positions.

"Even with the challenging economic climate, the 1000 internships committed represent nearly a 130% increase over 2006, when the Chamber embraced this program," said Schweiker.

Approximately 80% of the companies hiring interns this summer are Chamber members.



Posted on Fri, Jul. 10, 2009

Stimulus funds create jobs for youths

By Tom Infield and Max Stendahl
Inquirer Staff Writers

Although just 15 years old, he's already 61/2 feet tall. So you can easily understand why Jerimyah Batts dreams of one day playing professional basketball.

But he's smart enough to know he'd better have a backup plan.

So for four hours each weekday this summer, Batts will be learning about geography at Temple University and using GPS technology to help mark trails in Fairmount Park.

The sophomore at Communications Technology High School is among 125,000 American youths who have gained jobs this summer as a result of the \$787 billion stimulus program enacted in February.

The White House counts their part-time hours toward the 600,000 jobs of all kinds it says the stimulus will save or create this summer.

Batts, taking a break from a class inside Temple's Gladfelter Hall, said he didn't know a lot about the stimulus program. But he said he was "glad to have a job."

Without it, he said, he'd be "just laying at home, watching TV."

If not an NBA player, he said, he hoped to be a counselor. He recognized, he said, that he'd probably need to go to college, and he hopes to "bring my C's up."

If he sticks with his six-week job - in which he is earning the minimum wage, \$7.25 an hour - he could qualify for an elective-course credit at his high school.

The stimulus program includes \$1.2 billion for youth employment, including this summer's program. The funding beefs up a federally financed program that has existed for years.

In Pennsylvania, it means as much as \$31 million in additional money to finance about 8,700 youth jobs this summer. In New Jersey, a windfall of \$20.8 million in extra money will pay for about 6,500 jobs.

The funding is geared toward low-income youth. The stimulus will pay for about 2,500 jobs in Philadelphia and 600 in Camden. Six other counties in the region will get smaller shares of the jobs.

The Philadelphia Youth Network, which runs the summer jobs programs in the city, placed Batts in a program sponsored by Temple University and the Friends of the Wissahickon.

The 82 students in his group will spend two weeks on campus and the rest of their time working in the park. According to a program description, they'll work with Temple students and others "in generating spatial data sets related to a park project that will place markers on new trails."

If that sounds sophisticated, it's meant to.

The program is typical of many, city officials said. They're intended to offer more than the drudgery of sweeping playgrounds or picking up litter. Some involve academics, and all are aimed at providing "meaningful work."

"It's preparing them to move into the workforce in a good way," said Sallie A. Glickman, executive director of the Philadelphia Workforce Investment Board. "They can build a portfolio and a resumé, and all the things they need to get a job."

Mayor Nutter, in an interview, said: "It's not just about the money [for the job-holders]. . . . We're trying to get young people focused on 'What are you going to do as you move through high school?' "

Counties have some leeway in shaping the summer youth program.

In Montgomery County, 140 youths are earning more than the minimum wage - \$8 an hour - and some of what they are doing does, in fact, involve physical labor.

"They need to learn how to come to work on time, work in teams, get along with the boss," said Gerald Birkelbach, executive director of the Montgomery County Workforce Investment Board. " . . . There is dignity in all work, and having a productive summer - that really is the goal."

But he agreed that the experience had to be "meaningful work, not just picking up rocks in the parking lot."

On Tuesday, on the second day of the Philadelphia program, part of Batts' group was sitting in a darkened classroom at Gladfelter Hall. On a screen, a leader was showing Google satellite images of objects in the region, nation, and world. The students were using geographic clues to identify the objects.

At the same time, out on campus, another part of the group was on a sort of scavenger hunt. Michele Masucci, the Temple program director, said that, in principle, there was little difference between learning to navigate in an urban landscape and in the woods the students will explore later.

The group's objective on a sun-soaked day was a square patch of grass next to Anderson Hall. Group members located it using satellite images and a series of narrative clues that led them from one part of campus to the next.

Most of the youths were from Temple's neighborhood in North Philadelphia.

Chablis Morant, 14, said she entered the program to learn about environmental science, which she hopes to study in college.

"I wanted to learn about how to get ready for work and be prepared," said Morant, who will enter Cardinal Dougherty High School as a freshman in the fall.

For Kia Howard, 14, the program represents her first job.

She wants to learn about environmental issues - an interest that her mother has fostered by becoming more eco-friendly at home.

"We're trying to do everything green now," said Howard, who will be a freshman at Frankford High School.

Tyler Hynes, 15, a rising junior at St. Joseph's Prep who hopes to become a psychiatrist, said: "It's good to have some sort of background in any given subject."

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Summer youth job program begins

City, county offer more than 1,000

Saturday, May 30, 2009

By Karamagi Rujumba, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Allegheny County expects to hire as many as 600 young people this summer in a jobs program funded by a \$1.87 million grant through the federal Workforce Investment Act, officials said yesterday.

The job program, which is designed to provide a workforce for the county's ongoing "green initiatives," is open to people between 14 and 24 years of age. It is intended for disadvantaged youths who live in Allegheny County, but outside the city of Pittsburgh's limits, said county spokesman Kevin Evanto.

The city also announced its own summer jobs program for youths in low-income families this week. City officials overseeing the jobs program through the Pittsburgh Partnership started accepting applications for 554 summer jobs early this week.

County officials said the job program will mostly focus on employing youths who are trying to better themselves, such as high school dropouts and juvenile offenders, or those from low-income communities. Young adults who grew up in the foster care system will also be given special consideration.

The programs will range from four to 10 weeks, and the specific age of eligibility varies with each program. For the most part, the jobs will involve landscaping, gardening, conservation and similar projects.

Other aspects of the employment program are geared toward providing training and work experience in child care, health education, first aid and money management. However, county officials said all of the programs will serve to build good work habits, as well as problem-solving and social skills for future employment.

"The additional funds received through WIA will not only allow us to provide new opportunities for our youth, but will also enhance what we already have in place through the Department of Human Services," said Marc Cherna, director of the department, which will coordinate the program.

Pre-applications are available at CareerLink offices and Summer Youth Program sites. The CareerLink office in Forest Hills will serve as the hub for information, referral and processing of the applications. Enrollment is limited to 600 youths.

For more information and specific eligibility requirements about the program, contact The Forest Hills Career Link Youth Hotline at 412-436-2321 or visit the Allegheny County Department of Human Services Web site at www.alleghenycounty.us/dhs/wiayouth.aspx.

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SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PREPARES KIDS FOR WORK, CAREERS

We've all heard the adage "our children are our future". If our children are indeed our future, then any assistance in helping our young people succeed in tomorrow's workforce is vital.

Earlier this spring, Workforce Solutions South Plains was notified of a new national government stimulus package that would provide summer employment opportunities to young individuals age 14-24. As a result, Workforce Solutions Youth Program officials have been working diligently to match South Plains youth to summer job openings made available by area employers, said Martin Aguirre, CEO of Workforce Solutions.

"Youth job training programs have become increasingly more important as the structure of youth employment has changed. As a result of the funding provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, Workforce Solutions developed a comprehensive summer youth employment program that emphasizes long-term goals which will help the participants attain future employment after graduation from high school, technical school or college. This training will ultimately giving them the tools to advance in their future careers."

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Over one million dollars of the state's allotted sixty-nine million dollars was delegated to the South Plains region, allowing over 400 disadvantaged youth to gain summer employment. Workforce Solution's existing summer youth employment and training programs provided opportunities to an additional 50 youth within the area. Overall, 63 Lubbock-based employers and 128 employers located in the surrounding counties are hosting one or more youth. The program began in May and runs through mid-July.

"The long term benefits of these programs are seen in the future, when these young people are able to secure better jobs with higher salaries, benefits, and opportunities for advancement. Beyond simply imparting skills, youth job training helps students learn leadership, responsibility, and self-confidence," stated Mr. Aguirre

Successful youth employment programs also provide flexible training, close attention to student needs and rigorous follow-up after placement. The Workforce Solutions initiative was designed to recruit employers and youth and effectively match the youth to a worksite, thereby fostering close relationships between the employer-mentor and young person. Additional preparation provided by Workforce Solutions to participating youth includes training related to soft skills, communication skills, dressing for success, timeliness, conflict resolution and winning techniques for the interview, to name a few. Workforce Solutions youth services staff communicate with each participating employer and young person on a weekly basis throughout the summer employment months and follow-up services will be provided after the program has ended.

Mr. Aguirre said the project utilizes the skills and knowledge base of the existing workforce to train future workers while providing career guidance and building leadership skills.

"We have been greatly impressed with the number of employers who have stepped-up to make this dream possible for so many of the region's youth. The compassion shown to these kids, coupled with the time, experience and wisdom each has invested into these young person's lives is indicative of the humanitarian nature that ties our communities so closely together," Mr. Aguirre said.

A prime example is South Plains College. The SPC summer work partnership is unique in that it allowed six Levelland High School graduating seniors to experience the college classroom setting. This worksite initiative required each participant to complete three credit hours of education while also providing each young person the opportunity to work with one of the college's department supervisors.

"South Plains College's partnership with Workforce Solutions concerning the summer youth employment program exhibited exceptional results," said Rob Blair, Dean of Technical Education at South Plains College. "Six participating students have performed very well in the coursework without one single unexcused absence during the five-week scheduled courses." Director of financial aid at the college, Jim Ann Batenhorst, mentors two of the students during their work experience. "This program has been wonderful for South Plains College and the kids. Our summer youth have remained engaged and motivated throughout the entire project, completing all duties assigned with no concerns. I could not have asked for better help."

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Stimulus Program Gives Students Jobs

06/24/09 6:14 pm | reporter: **Sarah Bloom** producer: **Amy Foster**

Danville, VA - Two-hundred-and-fifty young people are hitting the workforce on the Southside, thanks to some help from the federal stimulus bill.

It's part of a summer work program. Area businesses can employ or host the students, at no cost. Their pay comes from federal stimulus money. It is something that's benefiting several groups.

If you're a teenager in the summer, making some spending money is pretty sweet. And if you're an employer in these tight times, free labor isn't all bad either.

School's out, and summer activities at Danville's Parks and Rec fill up fast. Leaving people like Tish Lindsey, to juggle more kids, with less help. "We're always sort of tight budget and having to sort of pull things back, so extra hands and extra staff is always a plus," Lindsey said.

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Especially since they're getting that help, from local kids- for free- through the summer work program. "I think it's a win-win situation for everybody. It should be safer for the children, and our staff will not have to do too many things at one time," Lindsey said.

It's a slam dunk for the kids involved too. Summer work student, La'Risa Anderson, said, "It's good to have your own money in your pockets, so you don't have to ask people and stuff,"

"I'm planning on saving also for a car and planning on saving for college, and I might spend a little here and there." work student Austin Bowen said.

And that spending is exactly what chamber officials hope these teens will do. Laurie Moran, with the Danville-Pittsylvania County Chamber of Commerce, said, "We'll have a lot of teenagers and young adults who will be earning money that they can put back into the local economy."

More than \$400,000 worth of stimulating. And for these kids, a summer of work experience. "Long term we hope that it will grow a work force that will help us attract and retain our workforces to the community," Moran said.

The organization is still looking for employers to host the students. We're told there is no cost to the employer, and the liability will follow the organization. If you're interested in hosting a student, call 434-432-8250.

Video: http://www.wset.com/news/stories/0609/634826_video.html

DANVILLE NEWS

Stimulus funds send 450 Southside youth to work for summer

By DENICE THIBODEAU

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Thanks to federal stimulus funding, hundreds of area youth, age 14 to 24, will have summer jobs. And it's not costing the employers a dime.

Kim Adkins, executive director of the West Piedmont Workforce Investment Board's Summer Youth Employment Program, said the agency received almost \$1.5 million in stimulus funding that will cover the cost to train, manage and pay the salaries of about 250 youth in Danville and Pittsylvania County, and another 200 in the Martinsville, Henry County and Patrick County area.

Participants in the program will make \$7.25 an hour, all paid through stimulus funding. The program imposes no cost on the employers — it covers payroll and liability insurance for the participants. Some participants will also be eligible for transportation or gasoline reimbursement and/or money for child care, work attire, work tools and other work-related items, Adkins said.

"This is a very unusual program," Adkins said. "We don't typically have the resources to serve so many. Our budget is \$1.5 million for the year-round youth program, which includes mentoring, training and other (services) for older youth, age 14 to 21."

In the Danville/Pittsylvania County area, the program is being administered by Pittsylvania County Community Action, with the Danville Pittsylvania County Chamber of Commerce helping to coordinate training and lining up employers for the youth.

The first 8-week program began in the area this week, with youth receiving 30 hours of training from business and community leaders, according to Laurie Moran, president of the Chamber.

"We've had a great week," Moran said. "The youth were attentive, well-dress and gained a lot of knowledge hearing from business and community leaders."

Moran said some of the class focused on work force readiness, teaching the youth what expectations employers would have of their workers, communication skills, problem solving skills and decision making skills.

Classes are being held at Averett University, where some of the youth will also find summer jobs landscaping and painting on the campus, Moran said.

Other youth will have jobs in fast food, retail, at city and county Parks and Recreation departments, with non-profit agencies and other businesses.

Moran said the program has two goals — training and putting youth to work for the summer, while stimulating the economy.

“This will put about \$400,000 into the local economy, which is what stimulus money is designed for,” Moran said, adding that a secondary benefit is training for the area’s future workforce.

Moran also said the program could be repeated next year.

“If we show success, if it’s a success nationally, we may have a good change of getting funding again next year,” she said.

Moran a second group will begin its training classes next week.

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Summer jobs program keeps some teens busy

by Audrey Thomason

KILMARNOCK—During the summer break, instead of looking for things to do to occupy their time, high school seniors Ariel Mahoney and Brian Morris are working in steady summer jobs for the first time.

Mahoney works at Chesapeake Boat Basin near Kilmarnock, washing boats and refueling the gas tanks

of pleasure and sports fishing boats. Because weekends are the busiest time of the week at a marina, her days off fall on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

She enjoys the job and says her co-workers keep things light and fun.

"I'm saving to pay my insurance, put gas in my car, and maybe buy a new car," she said.

Clay Holcomb, owner of the

boat basin, said Mahoney is a hard worker.

"It's getting harder and harder to find people interested in hard work and working weekends. The biggest thing for me is that these kids want to work. Everything I've asked for she's been ready to do. She's someone I'll try to keep on part-time in the off season," he said.

With some experience in painting and applying fiberglass, Mahoney sees the job as a stepping stone toward her dream of earning a business management degree from Christopher Newport University and opening her own shop in customized painting of hulls.

For Morris, working with a Connemara construction crew was a wake-up call—literally—since he is required to be at work by 5:45 a.m. each morning.

"When I interviewed with (owner) David Jones, he said he was going to work me hard. He kept his word," Morris said of his first job and his first boss.

As a math enthusiast, Morris said his career plans include attending Virginia State before moving to Atlanta and becoming an accountant. For now, he enjoys assisting the crew and cleaning the site as they frame out a 3,000-square-foot waterfront home in Northumberland.

The teens are among 40 students from Lancaster and Northumberland counties working under a Jessie Ball duPont Fund grant administered by the Rappahannock Community College (RCC) Workforce and Community Development Department.

Trustees of the duPont Fund in May awarded \$88,021 to the Lancaster Community Library in Kilmarnock to work with the college and other community organizations in developing a summer jobs network for youth in the two counties. Other partners in the project are the Northern Neck Boys and Girls Club, the governments of Lancaster and Northumberland counties, and VISIONS, a local asset-development initiative.

Project coordinator Chris Valdri-ghi interviewed students as young as eighth grade and up to recent graduates. Some 67 applicants from Lancaster and 44 from Northumberland

competed for 29 jobs in each district. Mahoney and Morris said the interview was easy thanks to Valdri-ghi's relaxed manner.

Final applicants were chosen based on their experience, interests, qualifications and assessment level as measured for a Career Readiness Certificate (CRC).

"The CRC is the SAT for careers," measuring a student on several abilities, including math and reading, Valdri-ghi said. "It's a barometer of skills for jobs and looks great on resumes or college applications."

Students are then matched with a job and interviewed by management before being hired. Participating businesses include a hospital, a retirement center, banks, schools, marinas and seafood processing plants. Businesses are reimbursed for the students' pay.

Valdri-ghi said he visits the job sites "to make sure everyone is happy and there are no problems." Of the 40 participants, only one did not work out because of attendance issues, he noted.

In July, the participants will attend a workshop covering ethics and professionalism in the work place, according to Nancy Lloyd, vice president for workforce development at RCC.

"We're picking sites convenient to their work places," she said.

Lloyd is thrilled with the program's success, especially the positive reaction from participating businesses, with many indicating a desire to keep students on beyond the eight-week program.

"I believe the duPont Foundation focuses on programs in this area to help raise families up. This program, like the federal stimulus money, is to help youths gain workplace skills. It is a rare opportunity for two counties with high unemployment," Lloyd said.

Lancaster board of supervisors chairman Dr. Jack Russell wrote the application for the approximately \$100,000 grant. Russell said the purpose in applying for the program was to get kids involved with RCC as a way to pique interest in furthering their education beyond high school.

He and supervisor Wally Beauchamp also were instrumental in recruiting many of the business participants.



Ariel Mahoney said she enjoys working at Chesapeake Boat Basin, even if it means giving up her weekends for the summer.

Stimulus job program employs 16

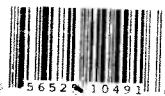
WARSAW—County administrator Bill Pennell of Lancaster and Amy Eades of Northumberland successfully secured federal stimulus dollars to fund a second summer job program to employ economically disadvantaged and disabled young adults.

"This is the first time in eight or 10 years that we've done a summer job program specifically earmarked for summer youth jobs," said Mike Jenkins of the Bay Consortium Retirement Board, program administrator for the U.S. Department of Labor.

Jenkins said Pennell and Eades worked to identify sites and coordinate with school systems to secure jobs for five students in Northumberland and 11 in Lancaster. Listed among the employment sites are Isle State Park, the school districts, local governments, the Boys and Girls Club and social services. Jenkins indicated there may be continued opportunities if the summer program is successful.



Brian Morris is spending his summer working in construction for Connemara of White Stone.



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Ariel Mahoney said she enjoys working at Chesapeake Boat Basin, even if it means giving up her weekends for the summer.

Stimulus job program employs 16

WARSAW—County administrators Bill Pennell of Lancaster and Kenny Eades of Northumberland successfully secured federal stimulus dollars to fund a second summer job program to employ economically disadvantaged and disabled young adults.

"This is the first time in eight or nine years that we've done a summer job program specifically earmarked for summer youth jobs," said Mike Jenkins of the Bay Consortium Investment Board, program administrator for the U.S. Department of Labor.

Jenkins said Pennell and Eades worked to identify sites and coordinate with school systems to secure jobs for five students in Northumberland and 11 in Lancaster. Listed among the employment sites are Belle Isle State Park, the school districts, local governments, the Boys and Girls Club and social services. Jenkins indicated there may be continued opportunities if the summer program is successful.

Summer jobs program keeps some teens busy

by Audrey Thompson

KILMARNOCK—During the summer break, instead of hanging out with friends, some teens are working hard. Brian Morris is working in steady summer jobs on the first time Mahoney works at Chesapeake Boat Basin near Kilmarnock, washing boats and refueling the gas tanks.

Clay Holcomb, owner of the

of pleasure and speed fishing boats. Because weekends are the busiest time of the week at a marina, her days off fall on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

She enjoys the job and says her coworkers keep things light and fun. "I'm saving to pay my insurance, put gas in my car, and maybe buy a new car," she said.

local Basin, says Mahoney is a hard worker.

"It's getting harder and harder to find people interested in hard work and working weekends. The biggest thing for me is that these kids want to work. Everything I've asked for, she's been ready to do. She's someone I'll try to keep on part-time in the off season," he said.

With some experience in painting and applying fiberglass, Mahoney sees the job as a stepping stone toward her dream of earning a business management degree from Christopher Newport University and opening her own shop in customized painting of hulls.

For Morris, working with a Con-nemara construction crew was a wake-up call—literally—since he is required to be at work by 5:45 a.m. each morning.

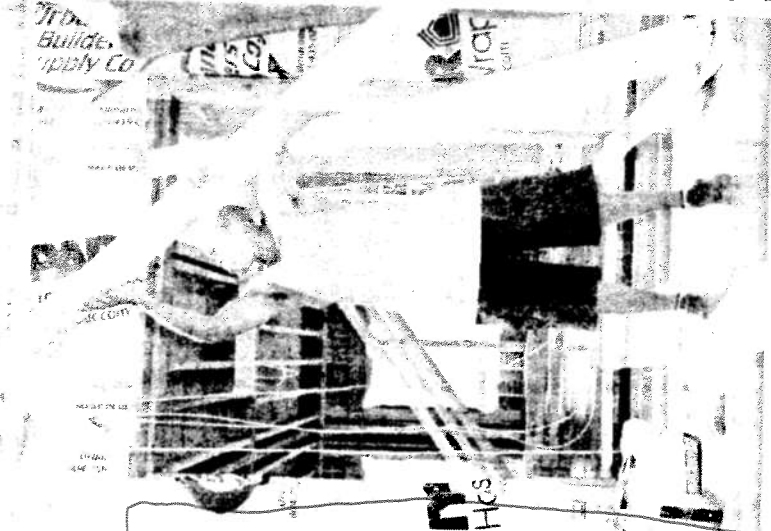
"When I interviewed with (owner) David Jones, he said he was going to work me hard. He kept his word," Morris said of his first job and his first boss.

As a math enthusiast, Morris said his career plans include attending Virginia State before moving to Atlanta and becoming an accountant. For now, he enjoys assisting the crew and cleaning the site as they frame out a 3,000-square-foot waterfront home in Northumberland.

The teens are among 40 students from Lancaster and Northumberland counties working under a Jessie Ball duPont Fund grant administered by the Rappahannock Community College (RCC) Workforce and Community Development Department.

Trustees of the duPont Fund in May awarded \$88,021 to the Lancaster Community Library in Kilmarnock to work with the college and other community organizations in developing a summer jobs network for youth in the two counties. Other partners in the project are the Northern Neck Boys and Girls Club, the governments of Lancaster and Northumberland counties, and VSO, a local asset development firm.

Project coordinator Clay Holcomb said eighth graders and high school seniors, including Morris, are working at the Easter and White Stone.



Brian Morris is spending his summer working in construction at the Easter of White Stone.

completed for 20 jobs in each district. Mahoney and Morris said the interview was easy thanks to Valdrighi's relaxed manner.

Final applicants were chosen based on their experience, interests, qualifications and assessment level as measured for a Career Readiness Certificate (CRC).

"The CRC is the SAT for careers," measuring a student on several abilities, including math and reading. Valdrighi said "it's a barometer of skills for jobs and looks great on resumes or college applications."

Students are then matched with a job and interviewed by management before being hired. Participating businesses include a hospital, a retirement center, banks, schools, marinas and seafood processing plants. Businesses are reimbursed for the students' pay.

Valdrighi said he visits the job sites "to make sure everyone is happy and there are no problems." Of the 40 participants, only one did not work out because of attendance issues, he noted.

In July, the participants will attend a workshop covering ethics and professionalism in the work place, according to Nancy Lloyd, vice president for workforce development at RCC.

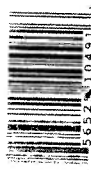
"We're picking sites convenient to their work places," she said.

Lloyd is thrilled with the program's success, especially the positive reaction from participating businesses, with many indicating a desire to keep students on beyond the eight-week program.

"I believe the duPont Foundation focuses on programs in this area to help raise families up. This program, like the federal stimulus money, is to help youths gain workplace skills. It is a rare opportunity for two counties with high unemployment," Lloyd said.

Lancaster board of supervisors chairman Dr. Jack Russell wrote the application for the approximately \$100,000 grant. Russell said the purpose in applying for the program was to get kids involved with RCC as a way to pique interest in furthering their education beyond high school.

He and supervisor Wally Beauchamp also were instrumental in recruiting many of the business participants.



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For a complete list of businesses, churches, and other organizations participating in the Summer Jobs Program, visit RRecord.com.

Seattle Youth Employment Program

The Seattle Youth Employment Program is a year-round academic support and job training program for up to 400 youth ages 14-21. It helps participants graduate from high school, move on to college or trade school, and develop skills needed for apprenticeships or jobs in high-demand fields such as health care and technology.

This award-winning program, operated by the Seattle Human Services Department, combines employment training with academic support. This strategy has proven to be the most effective way to keep youth in school and out of the juvenile justice system.

Each participant in the Seattle Youth Employment Program works with a development specialist to develop a contract with academic, personal and employment goals. Staff keeps parents and guardians informed.

Participants are from low-income families, and 90 percent are youth of color. They have little or no work experience, and often struggle in school.

The Seattle Human Services Department has operated the program for more than 25 years. About 60 percent of the annual budget comes from the City's General Fund and 35 percent from the federal Workforce Investment Act, administered by the Workforce Development Council of Seattle-King County. Another five percent comes from the United Way of King County and private donations. The 2008 budget for this program is \$2 million.

The Seattle Youth Employment Program is the lead agency for the Seattle In-School Youth Employment Consortium which includes partner agencies the Center for Career Alternatives and Metrocenter YMCA. Comprehensive services are available thanks to the involvement of dozens of additional partners including the Seattle Public Schools, other City of Seattle departments, community agencies, businesses, employers and local colleges.

Eligibility and Applications

To be eligible, youth must be 14-21 years old and residents of Seattle. They must have a picture ID and Social Security card, an academic transcript (even if not attending school), and proof of low-income status. Out of the 1,000 applications distributed, only 170 to 200 new students are admitted each year.

Each application is reviewed and youth are selected based on barriers to employment and educational opportunities. For instance, youth with disabilities, teen parents, homeless youth, youth involved in the juvenile justice system, and youth at risk of dropping out of high school are given higher priority.

Seattle Youth Employment Program: Help with School and Jobs

The Seattle Youth Employment Program offers participants year-round academic support including tutoring and classes so they can complete homework assignments, earn high school credits, build basic writing and math skills, and prepare for standardized tests. The program also:

- provides many additional services including referrals to counselors if needed; social skills and leadership classes; college and career awareness workshops, job fairs and field trips; community service opportunities; violence prevention workshops; bus passes, vouchers for work clothes and other financial assistance; referrals to other services, and post-graduation follow-up;
- requires that participants improve school performance and have good school attendance before they can pursue jobs through the program; and
- helps participants attend the Seattle Public Schools Interagency Academy, which is located on the same floor as the Seattle Youth Employment Program.

To provide job training and skills development, the Seattle Youth Employment Program places youth in internships and jobs with businesses, nonprofit organizations or government agencies and pays their salaries. Youth who are making progress in school are employed about half time during the summer and for a few hours a week during the school year. In addition, the program:

- provides a way for many participants to find a summer job when they might not otherwise find one;
- teaches workplace behavior and entry-level job skills; work site supervisors provide detailed job expectations and daily on-site supervision; in addition, program staff visit work sites every week;
- offers services such as employment skills development workshops, resume writing coaching, job fairs and job search assistance; and
- includes Start Out, a Certified Nursing Assistant program at South Seattle Community College; Start Out classes and internships give about 20 bilingual youth from immigrant families a health care education, and help to fill the growing need for bilingual health care providers.

Each year increasing numbers of participants find temporary or permanent jobs on their own as a result of what they learned in the program. Local employers who have hired program youth include Washington Mutual, Port of Seattle, and Starbucks.

Mayor Nickels launches initiative setting new direction on preventing youth violence



When Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels delivered his 2009-2010 budget, he proposed a new, multi-million dollar initiative to dramatically change how the city deals with youth violence.

"We will not stand for this violence; this has to stop," said Nickels. "The time has come for the city and the community to fundamentally change our overall strategy on preventing youth violence. I am asking neighbors, families, schools, churches, service workers and community members to come together and join our efforts."

In 2008, five teenagers were shot to death in Seattle. Earlier in the year, Mayor Nickels brought together community leaders, principals, members of the faith community and others to develop a new approach to preventing youth and gang-related violence.

The initiative is now being implemented and will focus on about 800 children a year who are at highest risk of perpetuating violence or becoming victims.

-- Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels

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OUR NEW FOCUS

The Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative will set a new direction by identifying and helping children who are at a vulnerable point in their lives. Specifically, the initiative will:

- Help youth with repeat offenses re-enter society from state detention programs.
- Provide alternatives for youth who are arrested for crimes, but released because they don't meet the admission criteria for county detention.
- Help middle-school truants and students at risk of suspension stay in school and succeed.
- Prevent victims of violence and their friends and relatives from continuing the cycle of violence through retaliation.



"We won't wait for children to come to us for help; we will seek them out. Whether it's helping them stay in school, re-enter society or manage their anger, the objective is to intervene at a crucial time in their lives and offer them a better path," Nickels said.

While Seattle's overall crime rate has dropped to its lowest point since 1968, the number of juvenile violent crime incidents has remained constant at about 800 a year.

"Seattle's crime rate is at its lowest point in 40 years, but that is absolutely no solace to the families who have lost young people to violence," Nickels said. "Easy access to guns has clearly introduced life-and-death consequences to confrontations between our children."

OUR NEW APPROACH



Initiative planners began by examining programs in Seattle and in cities across the nation including Boston, Baltimore, Chicago, San Jose, Washington D.C. and Lowell, Mass.

Representatives from cities with proven strategies to decrease youth violence were invited to Seattle to share their innovative programs. Baltimore's Operation Safe Kids used intensive outreach to juvenile offenders and saw a 44 percent drop in the number of youth re-arrested. "The lesson for Seattle is collaboration. You always need a strategy," advised Director Chris Williams.

Penny Griffith works with Latino youth and their parents in neighborhoods in Washington, D.C., where they dramatically reduced shootings and stabbings. "The community got angry and said enough is enough," Griffith said.

Seattle's initiative incorporates many of the ideas from these national models. It proposes a new approach to street outreach with the use of violence interrupters who are privy to information on the street and may actually prevent violent acts and retaliation before they occur.

The Seattle initiative calls for establishing youth centers with extended hours, giving children a safe place to go, or be taken, to stay out of trouble. The City of Seattle will work closely with middle schools to add police officers in schools, improve attendance and train children to deal with conflict. The city will also support more community-based projects that engage and mentor young people.

Even before the initiative began, Seattle police stepped up emphasis patrols, working especially closely with schools, and doubled the number of officers working in the gang unit. Mayor Nickels emphasized that law enforcement can be only part of the solution. He also acknowledged members of the faith community for their efforts and contributions.

THREE NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORKS

One message came loud and clear from representatives in other cities: Government should not dictate all the details of a plan. The City of Seattle has been very deliberate in setting the direction and goals, but asking communities to help determine what's needed in their neighborhoods.



Initiative efforts will be coordinated through three neighborhood networks in southeast, southwest and central Seattle, where indicators of future violent behaviors, such as discipline rates in schools, are the highest.

These youth-focused, community-led networks will serve as hubs to coordinate and tailor services around each child, including outreach, case management, anger management, youth employment and pre-apprenticeships, recreation, community school police officers, emphasis patrols and neighborhood matching fund projects that serve youth.

The city will work with specific community partners to design neighborhood networks. The Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle has been designing the central area network and will begin

implementing the plan in early 2009. Southwest Youth and Family Services and Atlantic Street Center have been helping to design the networks in southwest and southeast respectively. Contracts will be awarded in May to begin implementation in those areas.

The Initiative will be led by a City Director and three Network Coordinators who will collaborate on outreach, intake and referral and data collection and analysis. Three respected community-based organizations were selected to develop "Network Plans" to reduce violence among the youth in their neighborhoods. The City has provided crime data to each network for their specific geographic areas. The Networks have convened community leaders, youth, members of the faith community and community organizations to participate in developing the Network Plans.

Seattle's initiative envisions young people being referred through many different pathways including juvenile court, police, outreach workers, schools, teen centers and through the Networks themselves. Police, school district staff and juvenile court staff have all been active participants in planning.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND GOALS

Simply tracking how much money is spent and how many young people receive services is not a meaningful measure of success. Seattle's Youth Violence Prevention Initiative will include strict measures of accountability at two levels – whether neighborhoods and schools are safer, and whether individual lives are transformed as measured by indicators, such as school performance and recidivism.

The Initiative is charged to achieve:

- A fifty percent reduction in juvenile violent crime referrals in the three network neighborhoods.
- A fifty percent reduction in the number of suspensions/expulsions due to violent incidents in five selected middle schools.

City staff will manage contracting for many of the services provided in the plan and are researching best practices in each category of funding to assure that interventions are appropriate and effective for the populations served by the Initiative.

INVESTING IN OUR CHILDREN

The Mayor's proposed 2009-2010 budget included \$9.2 million for the Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative—approximately \$3.6 million in re-directed programs and about \$5.6 million in new spending over the two years. The City Council adopted a budget that appropriated \$8 million. Modest program reductions were made as part of cutting the overall city budget and adjustments were made to reflect that some parts of the initiative will be phased in over the first few months.



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Mayor kicks off summer jobs program

Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative helps open doors for more young people

SEATTLE - Mayor Greg Nickels will join with community partners and summer youth interns to kick off the Seattle Youth Employment Program's summer program.

With new funding from the Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative proposed by Nickels last year, and federal stimulus funds, the Youth Employment Program will employ 650 youth and young adults in career-path jobs throughout the city.

Time: 10 a.m.

Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Place: Environmental Outreach and Stewardship Alliance (EOS)
650 S. Orcas St., Suite 220

Directions: EOS Alliance is on the second floor of a two-story business park building on the north side of Orcas. Main entrance to building is at the southwest corner near the Georgetown Post Office.

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Mayor: More summer jobs aimed at reducing youth violence
Nickels kicks off summer youth jobs program

SEATTLE – Mayor Greg Nickels announced today that funds from the Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative will help the city put 650 young people to work this summer, engaging them in positive and productive jobs.

“One of the best ways to reduce youth violence is to show our young people new opportunities and a bright future. The city’s summer jobs program will give hundreds of young people new skills and help put them on the right path,” said Nickels.

In addition to \$402,000 from the Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative, the Seattle Youth Employment Program is receiving \$1.1 million from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), also known as the federal stimulus. As a result, this summer’s employment program will significantly increase the number of participating youth, from 492 last summer to 650 this year.

The jobs begin on Monday, July 6, and last for seven weeks. Youth interns receive minimum wage (\$8.55/hr). Youth in group projects receive academic credit and a stipend of \$900.

Nickels proposed the Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative to dramatically change how the city deals with youth violence. The initiative is focused on identifying and helping about 800 children a year who are at highest risk of perpetuating violence or becoming victims. The City Council’s adopted 2009-2010 budget provides \$8 million for the initiative.

With the new funding from the initiative, the city’s summer jobs program, for youth between the ages of 14 and 17, will provide work readiness and job training skills that enable the youth to develop positive career goals and paths. Eligible young people include court-involved youth (repeat offenders or youth arrested but not detained); middle school youth with truancy and suspensions; and youth affected by violence.

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Federal stimulus money will serve youth between the ages of 16 and 24, who are low income and face barriers, such as disabilities and homelessness. Work experiences will expose youth to careers in high-growth sectors, such as health care, skilled trades, green jobs and technology. For those 18 and older, the jobs will be focused on career-building.

The kickoff for the summer jobs program was held at the Environmental Outreach and Stewardship (EOS) Alliance in Seattle's Georgetown neighborhood. This summer, the EOS Alliance will employ 20 young people in various positions, including habitat restoration workers, home energy auditor trainees and office interns.

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Workforce Development Council

The WDC of Seattle-King County is a nonprofit work force "think tank" and grant-making organization that oversees employment-related programs for youth, the adult work force and employers in King County, with the goal of a strong economy and self-sufficiency for every resident. ARRA money designated for the Workforce Investment Act comes from the U.S. Dept. of Labor to the State, then to 12 WDCs in the state. For more information: www.seakingwdc.org.

Environmental Outreach and Stewardship Alliance

EOS Alliance was founded in 2000 as the Northwest Environmental Education Council. EOS provides green jobs and work force development, home energy audits and weatherization, efficiency retrofits for buildings, habitat restoration, civic leadership training, youth environmental education, and technical environmental training. For more information: www.eosalliance.org.

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Summer jobs around West Seattle aim to reduce youth violence

By Rose Egge

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Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative

Mayor Greg Nickels announced on June 24 that funds from the Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative will help the city put 650 at-risk youth to work this summer, engaging them in positive and productive jobs and many of those jobs will take place in and around West Seattle at Youngstown Cultural Arts Center, SafeFutures Youth Center, South Seattle Community College and more.

The 69 young people working in West Seattle will do a variety of jobs including, but not limited to, childcare, reception work, physical labor, educational training and vocational apprenticeships.

Randy Engstrom, founding director of Youngstown, said that he expects the youth working at the cultural center will be able to reference this experience when looking for employment in the future.

"If given an opportunity to be involved in a system that empowers them to learn new skills, young people will be able to carry that forward into other job endeavors," said Engstrom.

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