

# YOUTHW\$RKS



- Founded on the American ideal of service
- Started as a literacy program
- Now has
  - Charter School
  - Green Energy Corps
  - Computer Corps
  - Environmental Corps
  - Casa Verde Builders



















Purpose: To unleash the positive energy of unemployed young adults to rebuild their communities and their own lives with a commitment to work, education, responsibility, and family.

Through YouthBuild programs, young people ages 16-24 work toward their GED or high school diploma, learn job skills and serve their communities by building affordable housing, and transform their own lives and roles in society.



They split their time between the construction site and the classroom:

50% Academics

40% On-site service & training

10% Other Development Activities







# Who can join YouthBuild?

- Eligibility Requirements:
- MUST BE:
- 17 24 yrs. Old
- HS Drop-out (or referred by HS counselor)
- AND ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:
- Low Income
- Homeless or runaway
- Foster youth
- Migrant Farm Worker Youth
- Youth offender
- Child of incarcerated parent



# Service Corps as a model for working with disengaged youth

- ❖Increase school attendance & performance
- Opportunity to learn and practice job skills
- Creates new positive peer group
- Earn AmeriCorps college scholarships
- ❖ Builds pride through contributing to community
- Stipends help older students pay their bills
- Wrap-around services for youth







# **SUPPORT SERVICES**

Through Life Skills Class students display and acknowledge their unique strengths and talents.

Case Management

CM's are central figures in the students' lives, and are responsible for coordinating important support services.

At the beginning of the program CM's help students assess the following:

- **❖** Goals
- ❖ Mental and Physical Health
- ❖ Substance Abuse History
- Family Situation
- Relationships
- Educational Background
- Employment History
- Financial Issues
- Legal Issues.



# TRANSITIONAL SERVICES

We are here to assist in the following areas of higher education and career development:

- Career Workshops
- **❖** Job Shadowing Days
- **❖** Job Fair Announcements
- ❖Internet Job Searches
- **❖** Resume Writing Assistance
- **❖** Employment Referrals
- **❖** Assistance with Applications
- Assistance with Financial Aid Forms
- College Visitations
- College Enrollment and Registration
- Drivers License Preparation

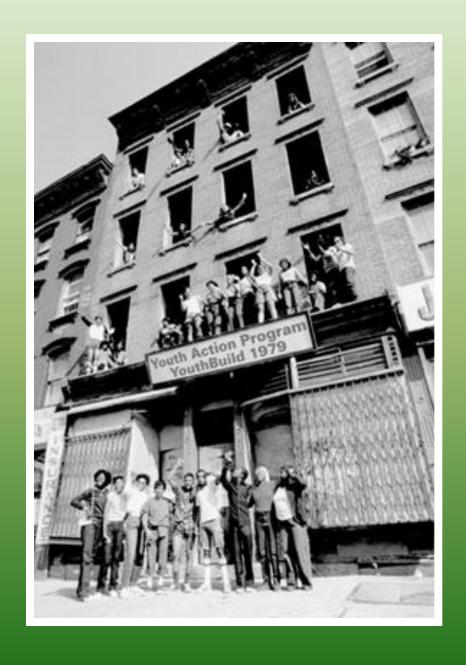


The overall goal of Career Development is to support students and graduates as they continue their education, advance in the workplace, and make plans for their future.

# **Program Measures**

### 1.Enrollment

- 1. 100% (68/grant:34/year)
- 2. Employed or Attending PSE in the first quarter following completion
  - 1. 70% of enrollees (48/grant:24/year)
- 3.Employment/PSE Retention (after 3 Quarters)
  - 1. 75% of those Employed/Attending PSE in the 1st Qtr (36/grant:18/year)
- 4. Earned HS diploma/GED/Professional Certificate
  - 1. 50% of enrollees (34/grant:17/year)
- 5.Literacy & Numeracy Gains (one EFL/2 grade levels in one year)
  - 1. 50% of Enrollees who test below 9th grade level
- **6.Recidivism Rate** 
  - 1. Less than 20% of enrollees with CJ involvement



**History**: In 1978, Dorothy Stoneman, asked neighborhood teens in East Harlem how they would improve their community if they had adults supporting them. The students answered, "We'd rebuild the houses. We'd take empty buildings back from the drug dealers and eliminate crime." Together they formed the Youth Action Program and renovated the first YouthBuild building.

### Today there are more than 226 YouthBuild programs in 44 states.

http://www.youthbuild.org/site/c.htlRl3PlKoG/b.1388103/k.8236/Find a YouthBuild Program.htm

### **Texas YouthBuild Programs:**

### **American Youth Works**

1901 E. Ben White Bv Austin,TX 78741 (512)236-6100

### **HoustonWorks USA**

2118 Smith Street Houston,TX 77002 (713)884-3330

### **Incentives YouthBuild**

500 Hilltop Kendleton,TX 77451 (832)396-3033

### La Fe YouthBuild Academy

1314 East Yandell Street El Paso,TX 79902 (915)533-6800

### **New Waverly YouthBuild**

143 Forest Service Rd. #233 New Waverly,TX 773580515 (936)344-6677

### San Antonio Youth Centers C-Core

1215 W. Poplar Street San Antonio,TX 78207-0844 (210)223-3131

### YouthBuild Brownsville

815 Arthur Street Brownsville,TX 78521 (956)548-2302

### **YouthBuild Dallas**

2721 Loyola St Dallas,TX 75241 (214)372-4620



# **Oklahoma YouthBuild**

# Community Development Support Association, Inc.

2615 E. Randolph Enid,OK 73701 (580)242-6131

# Eagle's Nest / Oklahoma City YouthBuild

3301 SW 17th Street Oklahoma City,OK 73108 (405)601-5516

# Little Dixie Community Action Agency, Inc.

209 N. 4th Hugo,OK 74743 (580)326-3351

### **Tulsa Technology School District #18**

3420 S. Memorial Tulsa,OK 74145 (918)828-5287

## Louisiana YouthBuild

### **EBRPHA, HOPE VI Office**

1374 Thomas H. Delpit Drive BATON ROUGE,LA 70802 (225)379-3814

### **Quad Area Community Action Agency**

45300 North Baptist Road Hammond,LA 70401 (225)567-2350

### **Kedila Family Learning Center**

1917 Martin Luther King Blvd New Orleans,LA 70113 (504)373-5452

#### **River Parish YouthBuild**

5153 Canatella Street Convent,LA 70723 (225)562-2432

#### Youth ReBuild Louisiana

1900 Lafayette St, Suite 2 Gretna,LA 70053 (504)363-4034



### YouthBuild Bogalusa

1242 Austin Street Bogalusa,LA 70427 (985)732-6878

#### **YouthBuild Delta**

c/o LA Tech College, PO Box 1740 132 Old Highway 65 South Tallulah,LA 71284 (318)574-4120

#### **YouthWorks NOLA**

3400 Tulane Avenue New Orleans,LA 70115

# So, What is YouthBuild?



# YouthBuild is Affordable Housing



# YouthBuild is Education



# YouthBuild is Leadership



# Job Training & Community Service



# YouthBuild is Counseling



# YouthBuild Philosophy

When young people are given love, knowledge, responsibility, respect, a sense of community, and opportunities for leadership, they become an incredible force for positive change in our world.



# YouthBuild!



**Rebuilding Lives** 

# **Rebuilding Communities**





# YouthBuild

A great tradition! A great opportunity!