

THE CITY OF NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE MAYOR NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 28

MARCH 14, 1996

MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON YOUTH EMPOWERMENT SERVICES

WHEREAS, the talent and vitality of the youth of the City are among the City's most valuable resources, and government funding for work experience programs for young people has been significantly diminished; and

WHEREAS, identifying opportunities for quality work experience for young people in the City is an effective method of developing their job-related skills and directing their energies in ways that will inure to the benefit of the City and the City's business and not-for-profit communities; and

WHEREAS, providing access to private, public and not-for-profit sector jobs will give young people an understanding of the job market so that they may make informed choices regarding their futures; and

WHEREAS, a focused and sustained coordination of public and private resources to identify available jobs will ensure the widest possible choice of employment experience for the City's youth;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of New York, it is hereby ordered that:

Section 1. Establishment of the Commission on Youth Empowerment Services.

The Commission on Youth Empowerment Services (the "Commission") is hereby established. The Commission shall be comprised of members to be appointed by the Mayor, including, but not limited to, members representing the business, labor, financial and professional service communities, as well as the not-for-profit community. The Commission shall also include, <u>ex officio</u>, the Deputy Mayor for Education and Human Services, the Commissioner of the Department of Employment and such other public officials as may be appointed by the Mayor upon the recommendation of a majority of the Commission. The Chancellor of the City School District of the City of New York shall be invited to participate as a member. The Mayor shall designate a chairperson from among the members. Members shall serve without compensation and at the pleasure of the Mayor.

Section 2. <u>Powers and Duties</u>. The Commission shall have the following functions and responsibilities:

a. Advise and assist the Mayor in a focused and coordinated effort to mobilize both the public and private sector, including the for-profit and not-for-profit communities, to identify existing employment opportunities, to develop additional employment opportunities that are appropriate for young people in the City, including summer jobs, parttime and full-time jobs and paid internships, and to develop methods to match the talents and interests of young people with available employment positions.

b. Advise and assist the Mayor in identifying funding sources, and develop additional funding sources, for the purpose of funding a wide range of employment opportunities for young people in the City.

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c. Advise and assist the Mayor in coordinating available resources of the federal, state and City governments and the private sector, including for-profit and notfor-profit entities, to provide funding, staffing, facilities and information to support the implementation of programs developed by the Commission. The Commission also may draw upon staff, in-kind contributions and support functions made available to the Commission by private sector entities, including for-profit and not-for-profit entities, as well as public sector entities.

d. Report to the Mayor regularly on the goals and achievements of the Commission.

Section 3. <u>Agency Assistance and Cooperation</u>. All City agencies shall cooperate in providing to the Commission personnel, facilities, information and other assistance as may be necessary and appropriate to assist the Commission in carrying out its responsibilities.

Section 4. EffectiveDate. This Order shall take effectimmediately.

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Mayor