# Summer Youth Employment Program















**ANNUAL SUMMARY 2016** 



Department of Youth & Community Development

## **ABOUT SYEP**

## **GOALS**

- Introduce and prepare youth for the world of work
- Explore career interests and acquire good work habits and skills
- Provide supplemental income

# Summer Youth Employment Program

# PROGRAM STRUCTURE

- Up to 6 weeks of paid work and educational experience
- New York State minimum wage of \$9.00 per hour
- Open to all NYC residents 14-24 years old
- Program Dates: July through August

## **PROGRAM HISTORY**





2004





#### 2003

DYCD administers SYEP Online enrollment and SYEP timekeeping launched

2006

Online participant application system established

2008

Online worksite application launched







#### 2011

Upgraded web-based Youth Employment Program System (YEPS)



Introduction of free checking accounts offered to participants 18+

#### 2009

Specialized services for Vulnerable Youth and Standardized Educational Component added









#### 2012

Online worksite application system created

#### 2013

Program enhanced with specialized services for Younger Youth, Older Youth, Vulnerable Youth, and Ladders for Leaders

#### 2014

Introduction of pilot initiatives like NYC Generation Tech that expose youth to different career fields

#### 2015

Introduction of the financial empowerment Program Launch of Work, Learn and Grow Program with NYC Council support



#### 2016

Implemented EverFi's digital comprehensive Financial Empowerment Program.

Advanced release of the Ladders for Leaders application

# **FOUR SERVICE OPTIONS**

SERVICE OPTIONS	DESCRIPTIONS		
YOUNGER YOUTH	<ul> <li>Four hour orientation to introduce first time workers to program goals and expectations, work assignments, financial literacy, and information about workplace health and safety as well as labor laws for youth</li> <li>Fifteen hours of work experience per week that may include service learning and community service projects</li> <li>Five hours per week educational services that incorporate one hour of reflection</li> <li>40 Providers</li> </ul>		
OLDER YOUTH	<ul> <li>Eight hour orientation focusing on work readiness, financial literacy, career exploration, health and wellness, and preparing for higher education</li> <li>Twenty-five hours per week of diverse and developmentally appropriate work experiences in the nonprofit, public, and private sectors</li> <li>50 Providers</li> </ul>		
VULNERABLE YOUTH	<ul> <li>Specialized employment services for justice-involved, foster care, runaway/homeless, and youth receiving preventative services from the NYC Administration for Children Services</li> <li>Orientations and weekly meetings with youth designed to provide mentoring, counseling, and educational support</li> <li>7 Providers</li> </ul>		
LADDERS FOR LEADERS	<ul> <li>Professional employer-paid internship program for high school and college students</li> <li>Participants selected through a competitive application process</li> <li>Advanced pre-employment training to prepare youth for interviews with prospective employers</li> <li>6 Providers</li> </ul>		

# **2016 FACTS AND FIGURES**

**PARTICIPANTS** 

60,113

**APPLICATIONS RECEIVED** 

139,916

**LADDERS FOR LEADERS** 

1,538













**PROGRAM FUNDING** 

\$93.4 M

**TOTAL WORKSITES** 

10,850

**VULNERABLE YOUTH** 

3,050

## **FASTFACTS**

\$61.2 MILLION DOLLARS IN TOTAL PAYROLL

4,356 PRIVATE SECTOR WORKSITES COMPRISED 40% OF WORKSITES, AN INCREASE OF 5% FROM 2015

NOTABLE INDUSTRIES PARTICIPATING IN SYEP INCLUDE FASHION, HEALTHCARE, FINANCE, TECH & MANY MORE

1,033 NEW PRIVATE SECTOR WORKSITES DEVELOPED IN 2016, COMPARED TO 754 IN 2015

# **FUNDING SOURCES**

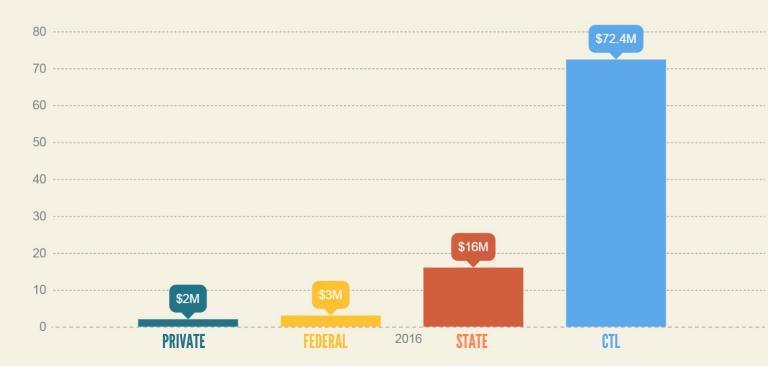
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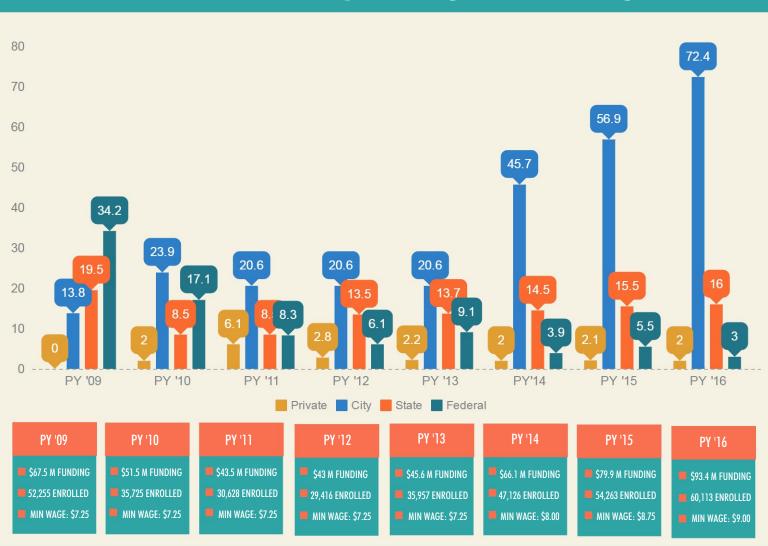
## **Abbreviations:**

CTL:City Tax Levy State: New York State Federal

Private: Donations through the Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City



# **FUNDING AND ENROLLMENT**



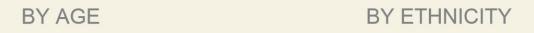
# **PROGRAM PARTNERS**

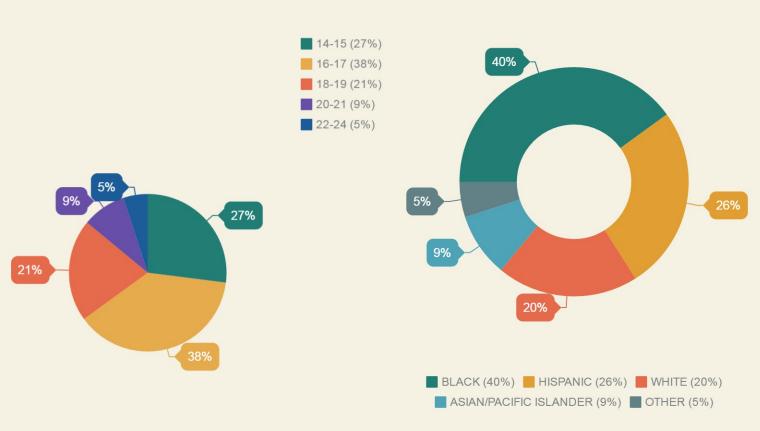
BOROUGH	PROVIDERS		
BRONX	<ul> <li>Aspira of New York</li> <li>BronxWorks</li> <li>Catholic Charities Community Services, Archdiocese of NY— Alianza Division</li> <li>Children's Arts &amp; Science Workshops</li> <li>Community Association for Progressive Dominicans</li> <li>Kips Bay Boys and Girls Club</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mosholu Montefiore Community Center</li> <li>Phipps Community Development</li> <li>Simpson Street Development Association</li> <li>SoBro Overall Economic Development Corporation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The Children's Aid Society</li> <li>Wildcat Service Corporation</li> <li>Woodycrest Center for Human Development</li> </ul>
BROOKLYN	Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation  Brooklyn Neighborhood Improvement Association  CAMBA  Catholic Charities Neighborhood Services, Inc.  Chinese-American Planning Council  Council of Jewish Organizations of Flatbush  Cypress Hills Local Development Corporation  Edith & Carl Marks Jewish Community House of Bensonhurst	<ul> <li>Henry Street Settlement</li> <li>Italian-American Civil Rights League</li> <li>JCC of Greater Coney Island</li> <li>National Society for Hebrew Day Schools</li> <li>Police Athletic League</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Research Foundation CUNY — Medgar Evers College</li> <li>Ridgewood Bushwick Senior Citizens Council</li> <li>SCO Family of Services — Center for Family Life</li> <li>Sesame Flyers International</li> <li>St. Nicks Alliance</li> </ul>
MANHATTAN	<ul> <li>Catholic Charities Community Services, Archdiocese of NY — Alianza Division</li> <li>Center for Alternative Sentencing and Employment Services (CASES)</li> <li>Chinatown Manpower Project</li> <li>Chinatown Manpower Project</li> <li>Chinatown Manpower Project</li> <li>Chinatown Charities Community Council El Barrio's Operation Fight Back, Inc.</li> <li>Fedcap Rehabilitation Services</li> <li>Henry Street Settlement</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Inwood Community Services</li> <li>New York City Department of Education</li> <li>New York City Housing Authority</li> <li>New York City Mission Society</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PENCIL</li> <li>Police Athletic League</li> <li>The Children's Aid Society</li> <li>YM-YWHA Washington Heights of Inwood</li> </ul>
QUEENS & STATEN ISLAND	<ul> <li>Central Queens YM &amp; YWHA</li> <li>Chinese-American Planning         Council</li> <li>Greater Ridgewood Youth Council</li> <li>Henry Street Settlement</li> <li>Jacob A. Riis Neighborhood         Settlement</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Police Athletic League</li> <li>Queens Community House</li> <li>Research Foundation CUNY — LaGuardia Community College</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rockaway Development and Revitalization Corporation</li> <li>Southern Queens Park Association</li> <li>United Activities Unlimited (Staten Island)</li> </ul>

# **ENROLLMENT**



# **ENROLLMENT BREAKDOWN**

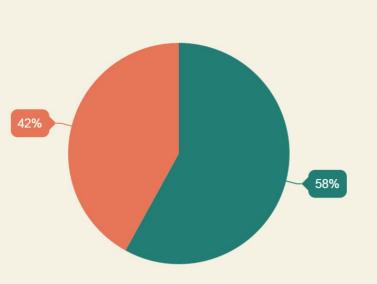




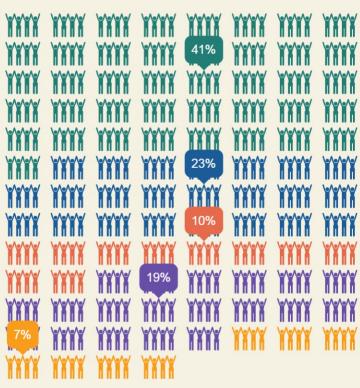
## **ENROLLMENT BREAKDOWN**

BY GENDER

BY BOROUGH



FEMALE (58%) MALE (42%)



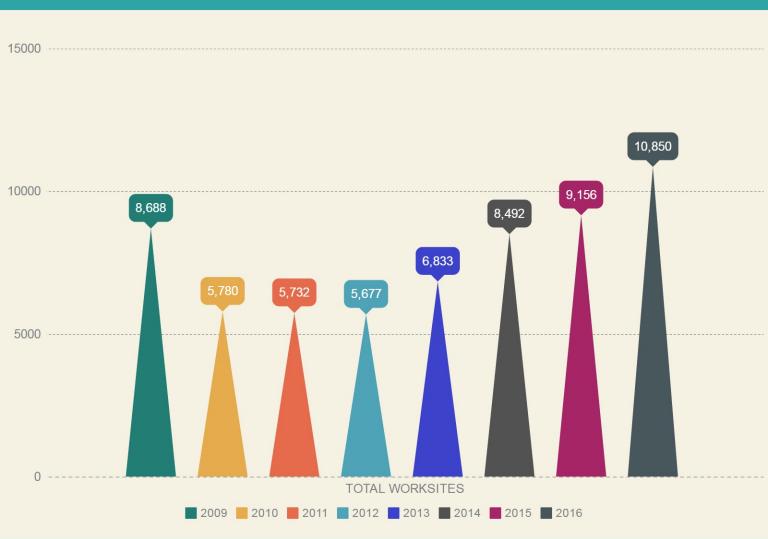
Brooklyn (41%) Bronx (23%) Manhattan (10%)

Queens (19%) Staten Island (7%)

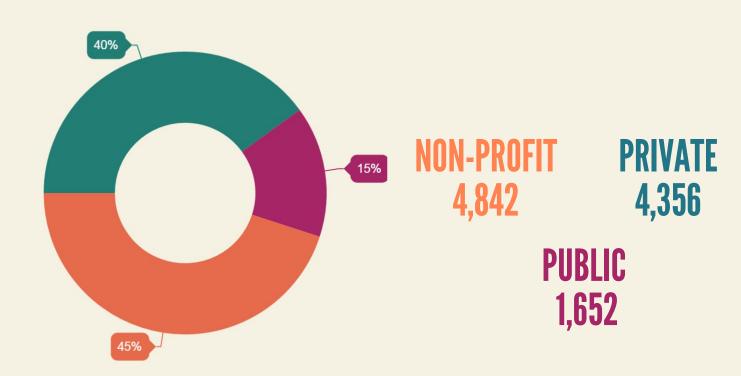
# YOUTH WITH DISABILITIES ENROLLED



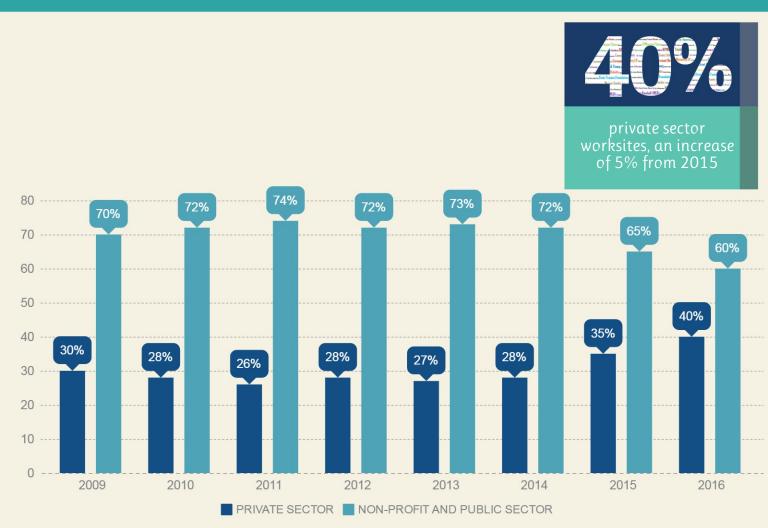
# **TOTAL WORKSITES**



# **WORKSITE SECTOR BREAKDOWN**



# PRIVATE SECTOR WORKSITES %



## **EMPLOYER HIGHLIGHTS**



## **FASHION**

COACH KATE SPADE RALPH LAUREN



## **REAL ESTATE**

TISHMAN SPEYER RAPID REALTY SOTHEBY'S



## FINANCIAL

AMALGAMATED BANK BANK OF AMERICA JP MORGAN CHASE



## **HEALTH CARE**

MAIMONIDES HOSPITAL MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL QUEENS HOSPITAL CENTER



## **CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS**

BROOKLYN CHILDREN'S MUSEUM MUSEUM OF THE MOVING IMAGE THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART



## RETAIL

CVS MODELL'S WALGREENS



## CITY AGENCIES

NYC OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER
NYC DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
NYC DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION



## MEDIA AND ENTERTAINMENT

EMMIS COMMUNICATIONS
THEATREWORKS USA
VP RECORDS

## **WORK READINESS TRAINING**

#### **EDUCATIONAL COMPONENT**

All participants attended pre-employment orientations that highlighted:

- Program Goals & Expectations
- Teamwork and Conflict Resolution
- Workplace Safety and Labor Laws
- Supplementary Work Readiness Topics



## **TOPICS COVERED**













## **YOUNGER YOUTH: SERVICE LEARNING**

#### **YOUNGER YOUTH**

Several Younger Youth providers offered project-based worksites developed to cultivate an ethic of service and reinforce core competencies such as interpersonal, communication, and decision-making skills

## **SERVICE LEARNING COUNT**

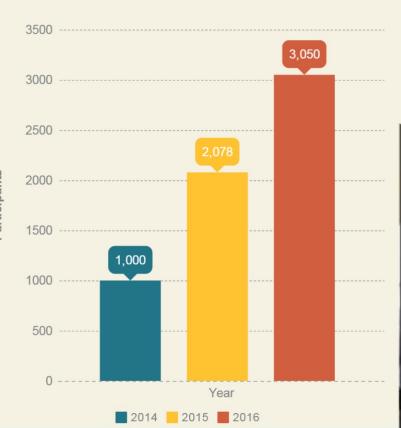
Providers- 22
Projects- 71
Community Partners- 109

## **POPULAR PROJECT THEMES**



# **VULNERABLE YOUTH**

# VY PROGRAM GROWTH OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS



## **BARRIERS INCLUDE**

- Foster Care
- Justice Involved
- Runaway/Homeless
- Receiving ACS Preventive Services



# LADDERS FOR LEADERS



PARTICIPANTS







1,538

Increase of 48% from 2015

6,115

Increase of 120% from 2015

475
A Increase of 148% from 2015

34%

Received an offer to continue employment after the program

## **PARTICIPANT PAY**

### PARTNERSHIP WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

3 Bank and ATM networks provided fee-free ATM transactions, including:

- (\$) Citibank
- (\$) HSBC
- TD Bank



#### 2016 SYEP PARTICIPANT

My SYEP experience was overall a great opportunity. I gained a lot of knowledge from it and learned how to budget, manage, and save money.

## PARTICIPANTS PROVIDED ACCESS TO

- Visa branded card with fee-free store transactions
- Pay card usage instruction materials
- Online card activity information and end-of-program earnings statement
- Direct deposit available to all youth with bank accounts
- Split Direct Deposit and Savings Account Options
- 🗸 Accounts update via text message

# **SYEP FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT**

## **PROJECTED GOALS**

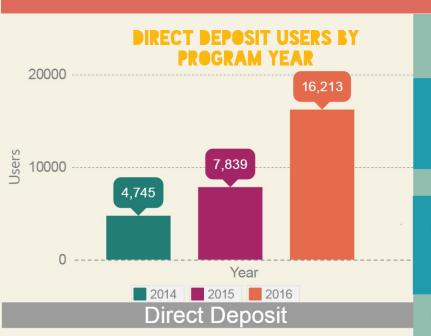














16,213 PARTICIPANTS ENROLLED IN DIRECT DEPOSIT 100% INCREASE IN DIRECT DEPOSIT USE

Over 60,000 YOUTH HAVE PARTICIPATED IN FINANCIAL EDUCATION 17 PROVIDERS UTILIZED EVER-FI'S COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM

## WHY SYEP MATTERS?

Studies have proven that SYEP saves lives, lowers incarceration and increases school attendance rates among youth in NYC.

SYEP not only boosted youth's nearterm earnings but also decreased rates of imprisonment and saved lives.

The Wharton School

Students who participated in SYEP had better attendance rates and made more academic effort in the following year.

**New York University** 

SYEP can improve educational outcomes and social and emotional development, and decrease negative behaviors...

Brookings Institute/The Hamilton Project