

The Summer Xpress



L.A. County WIB SYEP Goal: 5000

Our Success... Goal Reached!!!

Currently over 5160 youth are enrolled

- Over 415 probation/felony youth
- Over 370 foster youth

Notes From Our Youth



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I am your average 18 year old living in Los Angeles. I attended Locke High school, later moved on to a charter school, called Heritage-College Ready Academy high school in Los Angeles. I have recently graduated from high school and plan on moving forward with a career in business or something in the nursing field. I heard about the WIA program from a friend who had previously been through it. I am now a summer youth worker, in the WIA program, for Los Angeles County Department of Community and Senior Services. My current job functions here are helping the staff with any problems that I could assist them with whether it's big or small. I enjoy this job very much. My bosses here are great; they are very nice, helpful, and professional. I believe that this program is helping me a lot right now because it's giving me a chance to see how it is to work in a business office with professional people. It's also helping me to see if this is something that I would like to do for rest of my life as a career. As oppose to going to college for 2 to 4 years and after I graduate realize

that working in the office is not what I want to do. I am very grateful for this opportunity right now. I expect this job to be an experience that I keep with me for the rest of my life. So far my expectations are being met because everything is cool from the people that work here to the professional way I have to dress. Every two weeks when I get my pay check I put \$100 in the bank for my car and the rest of my money goes to mom so that I can help her pay bills in the house. When this program is over I plan on going back to school as a part time student at Los Angeles City College. In the future I plan on finding a part time job to work at on my leisure time so that I would be able to pay for my own expenses while I'm in school.

Supervisor's Message

"Los Angeles County Community and Senior Services and the Los Angeles County Workforce Investment Board are proud to administer the Summer Youth Employment Program on behalf of the State and the Federal government. By teaching these youth responsibility through work, we instill in them a sense of worth, duty, and commitment, attributes that will stay true for a lifetime."

Francisco E. Perez, ASM



My name is Jasmine and I am seventeen years old. I will be eighteen in November. I attend Whitney Young High school (entering the eleventh grade as of this year). My graduation year is 2010 and I plan to go to El Camino College to enter the cosmetology business. In the middle of August I had a letter of recommendation from the Department of Children and Family Services. From the head supervisor Mrs. Wind Bush sent to the California WorkSource. Within two weeks I received a call from the Work-



Jasmine, 17

Source to come fill out an application. I chose to work in the office for great learning experience and business wise training. Since I've been working in the office, I learned how to send a fax and email using a copy machine, and make business calls to other businesses. I would like to work in an office in the future and maybe one day I will have my own desk. I enjoy this job because it's an experience someone my age would love to experience. More likely than not it's a workforce that gets you ready for the professional work environment.



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