

NEWS for Youth Work Professionals

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

[News from DEED \(Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development on Summer Youth Employment\)](#)

- Teen Job Market Slowly Improving in MN
- Teen Industries and Earnings
- Teen Employment and the Minimum Wage
- The Importance of the Teen Labor Market
- Help for Teens Entering the Job Market

STATE OF USING" DOCUMENTARY

Minnesota Alliance With Youth offers, free of charge, this documentary, plus accompanying discussion guide. "State of Using" tells the stories of Minnesota young people and how substance abuse has impacted their lives. The film was created, filmed, and edited by youth, and made by Minnesota Youth Council in partnership with Intermedia Arts, Minnesota Alliance With Youth, and Youthprise. Access [HERE](#).

[Governor Signs Safe & Supportive Schools Act](#)

The law provides school districts with guidance & support to establish policies against bullying through teacher training & increased technical assistance. The law expands the definition of which behaviors & behavioral patterns constitute bullying to include through the Internet & social media.

Public Comment Sought on Proposed New Benefit for Children with Autism

Public comment is being taken on a proposed Medical Assistance State Plan Amendment allowing a comprehensive early intensive intervention benefit for MN children with autism under age 18. The public comment period runs from 8AM June 2-4PM July 2.

Questions & comments on the may be sent to: [DSD Public Comments](#). More info on the [DHS autism page](#).

Through Our Eyes: Videos & Resources

The Office for Victims of Crime released 4 new videos in its Through Our Eyes: Children, Violence, & Trauma series. This series now includes 8 videos, resource guides, & public awareness posters. The most recent videos highlight intervention in schools, innovations in juvenile justice, addressing violence in the home, & a call to action on how anyone can help a child in need.

[Learn more here.](#)

EVENTS

Northside Youth Collaborative

June 10, 4-5:30pm, Farview Park (29th & Lyndale Ave. N.)
"Tools Used At PYC Arts and Tech High School to Enhance Academic Success for Black Male Students" with Vince Jackson, PYC Dean of Students and Rob Griffin, PYC Student Engagement Coordinator

Southside Youth Worker Engagement Group

June 12 MEETING CANCELLED so members can attend Fresh Skillz Summer Summit

Fresh Skillz Summer Summit

June 12, 12:30-5:00PM, Minneapolis Convention Center
The Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board and The Minneapolis Beacons Network have partnered to launch the MINNEAPOLIS Out of School Time (OST) Training Collaborative. Goals of the Training Collaborative are:

- Expand networks by building new allies, relationships, and partnerships through discussions and team work.
- Increase capacity to coach and plan with data both in your role and with your teams.
- Practice healthy, clean boundaries in your work.
- Fresh Skillz Summer Summit will provide opportunities for youth workers to think through dilemmas and leave with fresh skills and tools to use this summer!

[Register at Eventbrite.](#)

Join MPS at Twin Cities Pride Parade

MPS staff, students and families are invited to march.
June 29, 10am; Meet near the Downtown Library (3rd St. between 2nd and 3rd Ave)

RSVP: Email: [Jason Bucklin](mailto:Jason.Bucklin) QUESTIONS? Call 612.668.5482

Northside Youth Collaborative

July 8, 4-5:30pm, Farview Park (29th & Lyndale Ave. N.)
Session Leader April Graves: Self-Care for Youth Workers

Southside Youth Worker Engagement Group

July 10, noon-1:30pm, Pillsbury House (35th & Chicago)
Learn how to help young people with mental health needs. How to identify indicators of mental health needs? What role should youth workers play? What are the resources? Share information about the resources YOU are using with young people with mental health needs.

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Minneapolis Public Schools Seeks Strategic Plan Input

View the proposed plan in English, Hmong, Somali or Spanish [here](#). Help MPS finalize the plan by engaging in one or more of the following opportunities:

- June 9, 5:30-7PM, Davis Center (1250 W. Broadway) to share feedback on the proposed plan.
- Take a survey about the proposed plan
- Send questions or comments to MPSStrategicPlan@mpls.k12.mn.us.

The Board of Education will vote on the final strategic plan this summer, after completing the 2nd phase of community engagement with stakeholders.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH/FAMILIES

Application & Resume Assistance Drop-In

Tue.-Thur., 11am-1pm, June 10 – August 21
Juvenile Supervision Center, 350 South 5th Street, Rm. 21a, Minneapolis. Sponsored by The Link.

Urban Ventures Announces the Launch of Act Six Urban Leadership Program

Act Six, an urban leadership development program, will provide full-tuition, full-need scholarships to Augsburg College, Bethel University and University of Northwestern-St. Paul for up to 30 students each year.

Questions? Contact [Marquise Dixon](#) or 612-455-4607. See attached flyer.

"What Do You Want to Be When You Grow Up?"

This new publication from Pathways' Career Visions project offers young adults guidance on career research, including preliminary exploration, getting and conducting informational interviews, and using internet resources for further inquiry.

[View the Publication](#)

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A school readiness program for Spanish-speaking children ages 4-5 and their parents/caregivers. Latino children and their parents/caregivers will meet for ten weeks June-August to engage in learning activities and storytimes to build early literacy skills and prepare for kindergarten. Families must register at the library where they wish to attend: Oxboro in Bloomington or Nokomis in South Minneapolis. More details in the attached flyer.

ADULT TRAINING

Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience - The STAR Training

Wed-Sun, June 11-15, Hamline University, St. Paul, MN
STAR teaches professionals, paraprofessionals and volunteers how to be trauma-informed and resilience-oriented in life, family, work, and community. [Register online](#). If paying by check in the mail, contact STAR.Mpls@gmail.com. 27 Hours of CE for psychologists, nurses, social workers, LMFT, LADC, LPC, LPCC, and educators. Need tuition help? Immediately contact STAR.Mpls@gmail.com. Training also offered Sept 8-12 and over 2 weekends Oct 3-5 & 18-19. [More details](#).

Webinar on Service System Collaboration

The Center on Transition to Employment for Youth with Disabilities is hosting a webinar titled, "Does Service System Collaboration Improve Student Outcomes in Transition?" June 18, 12-1PM. [Register here](#).

Teachable Safety Skills for Youth Serving Professionals

Tuesday, June 24, 10:30-11:45 AM. This YIPA webinar focuses on what works when talking to children and teens about personal safety, online/cell phone safety, and sexual abuse prevention. [Register here](#).

ADULT EMPLOYMENT

The [Search Institute](#) Is Recruiting for the Following:

Vice President of Improvement Science: Connect research to education and partnerships through program development & delivery and project design & implementation.
2 Research Associates: One with a qualitative research focus and the other with a quantitative research focus. All positions are full-time and offer great benefits. [Visit](#).

Program Manager at The Link

The Link is opening an emergency shelter and housing program in coordination with the state and Hennepin County and is looking for people who have solid experience working with sexually exploited youth. Survivors, people of color, people who identify as transgender or gender non-conforming, and/or gay/lesbian/bi-sexual are encouraged to apply.

Will be seeking a full time case manager, youth specialist positions, a mental health therapist, etc. later this summer. [Apply here](#).

VOLUNTEER

Common Bond Seeking Academic Mentors

South Minneapolis sites. Enroll in June and begin in September. Visit [Common Bond](#) for information and an application.