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Youth Opportunity (YO) Movement

The Youth Opportunity (YO) Movement is a broad-based national initiative to engage businesses, foundations, celebrities, and other community partners to support youth living in high-poverty areas in identifying and achieving their employment and educational objectives. The Movement's goal is to help at-risk young people, between the ages of 14 and 24, acquire the necessary skills and work experience to successfully make the transition to adulthood, careers, and further education and training.

The YO Movement provides a way to bridge gaps and break cycles that lead to poverty and despair. This partnership-building network assists communities in accessing all of their resources to help at-risk youth and provides an opportunity for employers, individuals, and young people to help this population succeed. It is this grassroots involvement that makes this a movement rather than simply a new program.

Foundations and businesses are critical contributors and play key roles in motivating the entire community to take responsibility for young people's success. Their participation makes it possible to have expanded services and capacity.

In the Spring of 2000, the Department of Labor awarded 36 Youth Opportunity Grants authorized under the Workforce Investment Act. Further information about the YO Movement is available at: <http://www.yomovement.org>.

You can access America's Workforce Network at <http://www.doleta.gov>, or by calling the Toll-Free Help Line at 1-877-US2-JOBS. (For TTY, call 1-877-TTY-JOBS.)



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Fact Sheets

The following is a list of Department of Labor-supported activities and services that are part of America's Workforce Network which may be of particular interest to workers, employers, and workforce development professionals. A fact sheet with specific information is available for each of the following areas:

- Accessing Services via Phone or Internet
- Adult Employment and Training Services
- America's Labor Market Information System
- America's Career Kit (Online Resources)
- America's Workforce Network
- Applying for ETA Grants
- Assistance for Trade-Impacted Workers
- Basic Information for Employers
- Basic Information for Workers and Job-Seekers
- Disability Employment and Training Services
- Dislocated Worker Program (Services for Laid-Off Workers)
- Foreign Labor Certification
- High-Tech Skills Training
- Job Corps
- Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers Employment and Training Services
- Native American Employment and Training Services
- Older Workers Employment and Training Services
- One-Stop Employment and Training Services
- One-Stop Partners
- Registered Apprenticeship
- School-to-Work
- Tax Credit Programs
- Unemployment Insurance
- Welfare-to-Work
- Youth Opportunity (YO) Grants
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Available online at: <http://www.usworkforce.org/factsheets> or by calling (202) 693-3900. This Web address also provides links to other Federal partners under the Workforce Investment Act and other initiatives that provide additional services to enhance individual and community well-being.