YOUTHBUILD BRIDGEPORT FACT SHEET

YouthBuild is a community-based alternative education program for at-risk youth or former high school dropouts ages 18 to 24. It provides job training in the construction trades, educational and leadership opportunities through service projects by building affordable housing to overcome the greatest challenges to find good jobs and achieve self-sufficiency.

Partners in the program include, Habitat for Humanity of Coastal Fairfield County (HFH), Park City Communities (PCC), the City of Bridgeport/Bridgeport Police Department, Housatonic Community College, and Union Locals 777 (Plumbers and Pipefitters), 210 (Carpenters), 488 (Electrical) and 665 (Laborers International).

Are you interested in earning your GED while you gain valuable skills in construction too? Are resources keeping you from the opportunity to enter into a career; join us we can help!

Upcoming Information Sessions:

September 8, 2017 and September 19, 2017 YouthBuild Bridgeport – 242 Fairfield Ave. Bridgeport, CT 06604 AM Session 9:00 am – 12:00 pm PM Session 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

RSVP preferred, however, walk in's always welcome! If you can't make these sessions call to register for upcoming dates.

One Stop Info-Session includes presentation, enrollment and placement testing. Bring ID, Social Security Card, Birth Certificate, Proof of income and drop out verification or high school diploma.

Ideal Candidate Criteria:

- Male/Females 18-24 years of age
- Bridgeport Resident
- Interested in construction trades
- Out of School Youth without High School Diploma (5% can have GED/HSD with other barriers)
- Low Income 70% below Lower Living Income Standards
- Needs/wants a chance and improve their lives and their community.
- Interested in learning and can commit to training for six consecutive months.

Training & Supports Provided:

- Earn as you learn (earn up to \$1200.00 throughout 6 month training).
- Opportunity to get more than 380 + hours academic & construction training with hands on experience.
- Opportunity to get a paid internship.
- Opportunity to <u>earn up to</u> \$15.00 an hour to start after graduation.
- Opportunity to earn and keep tablet and construction equipment.
- Case management and placement assistance while in program.
- Graduate services offered for one year after completion.

Call: (203) 290-1948 Email: <u>youthbuildrec@workplace.org</u> Log onto: <u>www.workplace.org/youth</u>

The Workplace is an equal opportunity YouthBuild program: No applicant is discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, genetics, age, political affiliation or belief, or disability. Reasonable accommodations can be made for interviews and service. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. YouthBuild Bridgeport is funded through public and private sources including U.S. Department of Labor, etc.