

The **WORK**book

A Guide to New York City's Mental Health Employment Programs



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Establish strategic alliances and learning collaboratives between behavioral health providers, consumers, and governmental agencies;

Introduce and pilot new approaches to mental health service delivery through the integration of rehabilitation and recovery principles and existing treatment modalities;

Design and implement organizational change initiatives tailored to the specific needs of the New York City behavioral health care community;

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The Center for Rehabilitation and Recovery is pleased to publish the second edition of “The WORKbook” designed for you and other individuals who seek knowledge about employment related services in the mental health system.

Since the publication of the first edition of The WORKbook in 2002, there have been changes to New York City mental health programs offering employment services. These changes are important to both consumers and providers alike.

This directory provides a comprehensive, updated listing of these various programs designed to help people achieve their employment goals.

We know that most people want to work, need to work, and can work. Consumers speak strongly about the central role of work in recovery. At whichever stage of recovery a person is in, there are numerous options when considering employment. Employment can mean a part-time or full-time position in the competitive job market, or perhaps a job training program or other experiences like internships, and volunteering. The programs listed in the WORKbook are all designed to help people move towards work – however you define or think about a job, an education, or a career.

We would like to acknowledge staff from the agencies listed in this guide for providing us with current and accurate information on their programs. We would also like to thank the New York State Office of Mental Health for their consistent support of and commitment to the Center’s many initiatives.

The staff at the Center for Rehabilitation and Recovery

About the WORKbook

The WORKbook is arranged in an easy to use format that helps you quickly locate the right services.

The 106 program entries listed are arranged by borough. Within each borough the programs are sorted alphabetically by agency name. As you go through the WORKbook you will notice that each entry is laid out the same, with address and contact information, and details about the program including public transit.

In the Comments Section of each entry you will find out if the program is geared towards consumers with particular experiences and backgrounds, if there are age-related or other requirements to participate, and other details that may be helpful to you when making a selection.

Program information is organized into three categories: *approach*, *services*, and *jobs types*. An *approach* is similar to a model, or a way of describing and grouping programs that share similar characteristics. Each entry has only a single *approach*, and may have many *services* and *job types*. In the next few pages we present an overview of the various approaches, services and job types available through New York City's mental health programs.

We have also included a section entitled Employment Resources and Supports. This section includes helpful information about social security programs and benefits, the Medicaid Buy-In, VESID and other related resources you might want to know about.

To further assist you in making decisions about which services to pursue, we've included suggestions on Choosing an Employment Program. Here you will find questions you may want to ask program staff about their specific programs and services.

We wish you success!

APPROACHES

Clubhouse

Clubhouses are programs that offer consumers a wide range of supports and services, including assistance with employment, housing, educational and social needs. A Clubhouse operates on the philosophy of offering its members a place to come and belong, an opportunity to develop relationships, and an opportunity to participate in meaningful work. All Clubhouses must meet a required set of standards to be certified by the ICCD (International Center for Clubhouse Development).

Clubhouses share the belief that work is an essential part of the recovery process. Consumers and staff work side-by-side, undertaking the various jobs required in operating a club. Most Clubhouses provide the opportunity for members to pitch in and run a clerical unit, an employment unit, a food service unit, and other specialty units. Gaining experience in these volunteer settings helps consumers prepare for other jobs.

Transitional employment (TE), often called the cornerstone of the Clubhouse, provides members with part-time positions (typically 15-20 hours a week) that are temporary, and last from 6-9 months. These jobs are located in the community. They pay minimum wage or better and TE workers are paid directly by the employer. Transitional employment helps members gain work experience and build a work history by trying out different positions. Staff and members provide support and help the worker learn the ins and outs of the job. TE is designed to be a stepping-stone, to help members achieve their employment and educational goals. In addition to transitional employment, Clubhouses assist their members in getting their own jobs, providing various levels of support and involvement, determined by the needs and desires of the member.

Individual Employment with Supports

These job opportunities are especially designed for the individual looking to secure a job without extensive pre-job training. Individual employment with supports comes in numerous forms, but they all offer some individualized and professional support at each stage of the process, from securing work, to retaining a job, and helping a consumer adjust to the demands of the workplace. In the mental health system these jobs are referred to as Assisted Competitive Employment (ACE), supported employment, transitional employment, competitive jobs, or even internships and volunteer jobs. What they all have in common is the availability of an employment professional to work closely with a consumer, help the person identify their strengths and interests, and help them move into a position of choice.

The majority of programs in this directory help consumers obtain supported employment positions. These positions are competitive jobs that are developed for each consumer individually, based on a person's abilities and career goals. Consumers are hired as 'regular' employees in 'real jobs'. Individually tailored supports that are flexible and ongoing help consumers keep their jobs. In some programs, positions are time-limited, and secured as slots for an agency. These transitional or intermediate employment opportunities are part-time, last up to nine months, and give consumers a chance to acquire work experience.

Prevocational Program

Prevocational programs focus mainly on preparing individuals for entering the workforce. Many consumers have missed out on the opportunity to explore their work or career options, identify what it is they would like to do, and acquire the skills needed to get a job. Prevocational activities can help

consumers identify their interests and skills, learn about work alternatives, and develop a plan or strategy for selecting and obtaining work. These activities often include learning about different jobs, and learning job seeking skills, such as how to contact an employer, how to write resume, how to 'dress for success', and how to participate in a job interview. Because these programs are about preparing consumers for work, they are usually time-limited and don't often assist people with actually obtaining a job like other approaches described in this section.

Intensive Psychiatric Rehabilitation Treatment (IPRT) Programs are programs designed especially to help consumers think about and select goals related to employment, housing, education and their social networks. IPRTs are helpful to consumers who do not have a lot of work experience, and need help determining a career path. Some IPRT programs do help consumers with finding and keeping a job. Other prevocational programs help consumers learn the skills needed for a specific occupation. For example, some programs in New York City train consumers in many fields, including: janitorial, health care, foodservice, computer work, landscaping, and recycling. For consumers who know exactly what they want to do, and are interested in gaining work experience in these occupations, these job-specific programs can be very helpful.

Psychosocial Club

A psychosocial club offers its members a community environment where they can socialize, learn about resources, participate in support groups and pursue vocational and educational goals. An important feature of the psychosocial club is the support members provide one another. The services provided by a psychosocial club vary greatly from program to program. Some operate like a drop-in center, some offer evening or weekend events, and others are more structured, providing members the opportunity to work on specific goals. The psychosocial clubs listed in this directory offer consumers help in practicing work-related skills and getting jobs. This assistance often comes in the form of transitional employment. Transitional employment (TE) jobs are part-time positions developed by the club that are located in the community and pay minimum wage or better. These positions are time-limited; members get their feet wet by working in a position for six to nine months. A placement manager or job coach is available to provide help and training both on and off the job. Members can use the clubs to meet with other members and talk about their work experiences.

Sheltered Workshop

Sheltered workshops are highly structured and supervised employment settings where consumers are often found working around the same table completing unskilled jobs for an outside company. Usually, the jobs consist of very simple and repetitive tasks such as sorting, packaging and counting. These workshops pay a sheltered wage, meaning the social service agency is permitted to pay below minimum wage and calculate the consumers earnings based on the amount of work completed in a given time period. Sheltered workshops help some consumers acquire work habits such as getting to a job on time, taking direction, and completing tasks. As the demands of the sheltered workshop are unlike a true workplace, consumers interested in pursuing an individual career and working in an integrated position should review the other approaches described in this directory.

Working Among Consumers

These job opportunities are developed to give people a chance to work at a place where other consumers are working. In these jobs, consumers benefit from the support and understanding of other consumers, as well as the professional support of the mental health agency staff person or job coach. The programs in this listing may be appealing to individuals who may not feel independent enough to work alone, may not feel confident enough to work at a competitive job, or may simply feel more comfortable working among their peers. In the mental health system, agencies refer to these job opportunities as "enclaves", "work crews" or "affirmative businesses".

Enclaves are work settings located in large places of business, where groups of consumers, usually three to eight, work together doing related jobs. Enclaves are a good option for people who need help in completing a job and enjoy working with others. Enclaves have been located in large bookstores, retail stores, and newspaper companies. In these places, consumers work together doing jobs such as stocking shelves, organizing inventory, and collating documents. Work crews describe businesses that are mobile, where consumers work together as part of a team. These contract services include cleaning and recycling businesses, and landscaping ventures. Affirmative businesses are sometimes called agency-sponsored businesses. Small businesses sell goods or services, and give consumers the opportunity to interact with the public.

SERVICES

Assessment

An assessment is an analysis of an individual's job preferences, work-related skills, abilities, and available supports. It often includes exploring employment goals, skills and interests, identifying potential problem areas which may serve as a barrier to getting and/or keeping a job, discussing prior work experiences, defining financial and benefits status, and investigating additional support that family and friends may provide. Vocational assessments can be ongoing and occur after job placement, as well as when a person enrolls in a program, to help plan for job or career changes. An assessment often occurs during an interview between a consumer and a program staff person, and sometimes may even take the form of paper evaluations and standardized tests. VESID (Vocational Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities) calls their vocational assessment process a Diagnostic Vocational Evaluation or DVE. This evaluation usually lasts six weeks, is fairly structured, and measures vocational interests and aptitudes.

Pre-vocational training

Pre-vocational training activities prepare an individual for employment before they go to work. Consumers may learn about job seeking, how to write a resume, how to participate in an interview, and how to develop job leads. Training can also focus on teaching skills that can be applied to any job, such as how to get to work on time, following instructions, how to speak to a supervisor, and 'dressing for success'. Specific, yet universal job skills such as filing, answering telephones, and using computers are also offered as pre-vocational training activities. Sometimes pre-vocational training includes trying-out a specific job on a short-term basis, and job shadowing, or following an employee on a job when they go about their duties. These opportunities help individuals learn more about the skills and requirements of a particular job.

Job development

Job Development activities help a person locate and secure a job that matches their career interests. Taking the labor market into consideration, job developers balance the needs of both the consumer and employer. They can help to modify jobs or create new positions that previously did not exist. Job development activities include: educating employers on working with individuals with mental illness; analyzing job tasks and settings; matching individuals to specific positions based on their interests, skills and needs; and advocating with employers to request intermittent work schedules or other changes. Depending on the individual and the agency, job developers may be minimally or extensively involved with contacting employers and locating jobs. Whether a consumer chooses to disclose their mental illness affects the level of involvement between the job developer and employer.

Job placement and training

Employment and rehabilitation programs provide a variety of job placement types for consumers. Job types vary by where they are located, the numbers of people working together, the rate of pay, the

amount of professional support, and for whom the consumer works. Some jobs are competitive and pay at least minimum wage. Others, like internships, volunteer jobs, or sheltered workshop positions, may pay stipends or reimburse workers based on what they produce. Consumers may get jobs in-house or at a business owned by the agency. In most cases, consumers are members of the mainstream workforce, receiving a paycheck as a regular employee. Job coaches and other staff provide consumers with the initial support they need to start and settle into a new job. New employees often need help with negotiating transportation, completing employee paper work, acquiring work clothes, and budgeting for costs associated with going to work, such as lunch and travel. Once on the job, support may include helping consumers to learn the ins and outs of the job, to interact with a new supervisor, and to feel comfortable with co-workers. Whatever form they take, supports may be offered at work or away from the job site, depending on what the person needs.

Job retention

Job retention services are supports that help a consumer stay employed and meet their career goals. Supports are individually tailored, and may be offered on or off the job site, consisting of whatever helps a person succeed and feel satisfied at work. These supports are flexible, ongoing, and can be provided by employment program staff, peers, co-workers, family, or friends. Peer support groups and job clubs provide an opportunity to discuss and address workplace issues with consumers who understand how to balance a career and a mental illness. Examples of other types of job retention support services are: disclosure counseling; assistance with negotiating workplace accommodations; recognizing success; help with making job modifications; and problem-solving important issues, such as housing or medical concerns, that may interfere with work. Depending on the person, support might include a weekly phone call with a staff person, meeting a friend at a coffee shop, or getting help arranging childcare and addressing other practical needs.

Benefits assistance

Consumers have many questions about how going back to work affects their cash and medical benefits. Benefits assistance services help consumers who are considering working understand the complicated rules and regulations for getting and keeping public benefits, such as SSI, SSDI, Medicare, Medicaid, food stamps, public assistance, and welfare. For example, it is helpful for individuals on SSI/SSDI to know about 'work incentives', which are special rules that make it possible to work and keep benefits. Mental Health staff and others who specialize in benefits counseling help individuals make important career decisions which do not jeopardize their financial and health-benefit situation. Benefits assistance services include working with an individual to develop a financial plan that considers career goals, making detailed calculations of how receiving an income affects existing benefits, advocating on the person's behalf, and assisting consumers with the reporting and documentation required of many public agencies.

Education & career development

A lack of education and training is often a barrier preventing consumers from obtaining new jobs and reaching their career aspirations. Education and career planning can help consumers become more marketable employees. Career development activities may include assessing educational strengths and support needs, changing jobs, upgrading or learning new skills through training, talking to peers and staff about different occupations, thinking about what is satisfying in a particular job, or going back to school. Educational-related services, offered at schools and mental health programs, can assist consumers in attaining a GED, certificates, degrees, and other job qualifications. Staff can help link consumers to specific programs, obtain financial aid, and negotiate on-site accommodations that may be needed. Education and career planning can be an ongoing process, taking place before a person gets their first job and continuing until the individual reaches their career aspiration.

Industry specific training

Programs that offer job specific training help consumers learn how to do a particular job through hands-on experience. They are ideal for people who know what they want to do and within which industry they want to work. Training programs may last a few weeks to several months and may be located at an agency or at a real job site. Some may pay consumers for their participation during the training phase. The programs listed in this directory train consumers in a range of occupations including computer word processing, janitorial services, peer specialists, and landscaping. Once trained in a specific occupation, consumers get help finding a job in their field.

JOB TYPES

Internship

Internships are employment opportunities designed to allow a person to try-out or explore a specific job. These opportunities can be time-limited and usually pay a 'stipend', or a small amount of money that helps to cover transportation or lunch costs. Internship positions may be developed within the mental health agency or out in the community. They help consumers gain hands-on experience, clarify job likes and dislikes, and build a work history. Potentially, supervisors at internship sites can provide future job references.

Supported Employment

Supported employment jobs are different from transitional employment jobs because they are not time-limited. They are competitive jobs that are developed for each consumer individually, based on a person's abilities and career goals. Consumers are hired as 'regular' employees in 'real jobs', and receive the going rate of pay and benefits. Individually tailored supports are offered on or off the job site help consumers keep their jobs. These supports are flexible, ongoing, and can be provided by employment program staff, peers, co-workers, family, or friends.

Transitional Employment

Transitional employment jobs are mainly available through Clubhouse programs. Transitional Employment (TE) provides consumers with part-time jobs, usually 20 hours a week, lasting 6-9 months. These jobs are located in regular places of business and pay at least minimum wage. TE placements provide an opportunity for consumers to gain work experience, explore a variety of different jobs, and learn and practice work-related skills. Consumers receive support from agency staff and peers who provide training both on and off the job-site. For many people, transitional employment is a step toward getting a permanent and competitive job.

Volunteer

Volunteer jobs provide an opportunity to gain work experience and to explore jobs of interest. Volunteers are unpaid workers who often assist regular employees and help businesses work more efficiently. Since these jobs are voluntary, there is a greater level of flexibility in scheduling, number of hours, and commitment. These kinds of positions give consumers the chance to explore different careers, gain practical experiences, and obtain employer references, all without affecting their benefits. Sometimes, volunteering can lead to a paid job.

Employment Resources and Supports

This section includes some helpful hints about social security benefits, Medicare Part D, the Ticket to Work program, the Medicaid Buy-In program, VESID, and related resources we thought you might want to know about.

Social Security Programs and Benefits

Described below are many of the Social Security benefits and programs important to consumers, especially those who are planning a return to work. Individuals can also get information directly from Social Security by calling the toll free number, checking out their website, or by visiting their local Social Security Office. For general information or to find the Social Security office in your neighborhood, call 1-800-772-1213, or check the website:

www.ssa.gov/work

○ **SSI & SSDI**

Many consumers receive SSI and/or SSDI benefits from the Social Security Administration due to their disability. The SSI (Supplemental Security Income) program is a needs based program for disabled individuals with limited income and resources. The SSDI (Social Security Disability Insurance) program is for disabled individuals who have paid into the Social Security system via payroll taxes while working or who have parents or spouses that have paid into the system. SSI and SSDI are two distinct programs with separate rules governing eligibility and work incentives.

○ **Work Incentives**

If you are an SSI and/or SSDI recipient you may wonder how earnings may affect your benefits and Medicaid and/or Medicare coverage. Because every person's benefit situation is unique depending on factors such as work history, resources, and living arrangements, recipients should get a clear understanding of their benefit status and how work will impact them. Special employment support rules, called "work incentives" make it possible for individuals with disabilities on SSI and/or SSDI to work and still maintain eligibility for benefits. As stated earlier, different work incentives apply to each benefit program. Examples of work incentives are 1619b, Plan for achieving Self Support (PASS), Impairment Related Work Expenses (IRWEs), Subsidies, Trial Work Period, Extended Period of Eligibility, Expedited Reinstatement of Benefits, and Expansion of Medicare.

To connect to a benefits specialist near you, call the New York State Work Incentives Support Center's toll-free technical support line at 1-888-224-3272. For help with a PASS go to Cornell University's Employment and Disability Institute online at www.passonline.org. For additional information about training and information on disability programs and work incentives also visit Cornell University's Employment and Disability Institute online at:

www.passonline.org

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www.ilr.cornell.edu/edi

○ **Ticket to Work**

The Ticket to Work Program is a SSA initiative to help people with disabilities receiving SSI and/or SSDI return to work. The program is designed to give you greater choice in receiving the employment services you need. The goal of the program is to help you earn enough money so that you will not need to depend on cash benefits. Those eligible for this program include people on SSI or SSDI who are between the ages of 18 and 65. For more information including how to use the ticket, the benefits of the ticket, resource contacts, and more on Employment Networks, call 1-866-YOURTICKET, or go to:

www.yourtickettowork.comn

WIPAs

In October 2006, the Social Security Administration (SSA) replaced the Benefits Planning, Assistance and Outreach Program with the Work Incentives Planning and Assistance (WIPA) program. The Program was renamed because of an increased emphasis on work incentives, return to work supports and jobs for beneficiaries. WIPA staff can work with you individually to assess your benefits status and better enable you to make informed choices about work. For the latest information on New York City's WIPA programs, go to:

www.yourtickettowork.com . Follow the link to "Directory of WIPAs."

The WIPA programs in New York City are:

Brooklyn

Goodwill of Greater New York and Northern New Jersey, Inc.
Community Work Incentives Coordinator
Brooklyn Office—WIPA/WORK Advocate
25 Elm Place, 6th Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11201
718-246-7855 Voice/TDD
FAX: 718-246-7811
Web: www.goodwillny.org
Call for hours of operation.

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City University of NY Research Foundation (CUNY)
JFK, Jr. Institute for Worker Education at the City University of New York
101 West 31st St., 14th Floor,
New York, NY 10001
(646) 344-7315
Call for hours of operation.

Manhattan and Staten Island

Institute for Community Living, Inc. (ICL)
40 Rector Street, 11th Floor
New York, NY 10006
(212) 385-3030, ext. 3139
Hours of operation:
Monday—Thursday,
9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Research Foundation for Mental Hygiene
New York/Staten Island WORKS Service
8620 18th Avenue, Room 105
Brooklyn, NY 11214
(718) 256-5631
(718) 256-5649 FAX

Queens

Goodwill of Greater New York and Northern New Jersey, Inc.

Community Work Incentives Coordinator Queens Office—WIPA/WORK Advocate
42-15 Crescent Street, Suite 401b
Long Island City, NY 11101
718-786-2594 Voice/TDD
FAX: 718-786-3858
Call for hours of operation.

Medicaid Buy-In

The Medicaid Buy-In is designed to allow working individuals receiving SSI/SSDI to purchase Medicaid benefits on a sliding scale based on income. Once an individual is approved for the Buy-In, they are responsible for paying a monthly premium determined by their income level. The program officially began in New York State in July of 2003 and there is a moratorium on premium payments as of the date of this printing. There are two basic coverage groups in New York State: the basic coverage group and the medical improvement group. To obtain information on the Buy-In, including specifics on premiums, the eligibility groups, and other sources of information, go to the New York State Department of Health's web site at:

www.health.state.ny.us/health_care/medicaid/program/buy_in/index.htm

Medicare Part D

Many consumers have concerns about keeping prescription drug coverage when thinking about a return to work. On January 1, 2006 a new voluntary Medicare prescription drug program, referred to as Medicare Part D, went into effect for all Medicare eligible consumers. Consumers who are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid (dual eligibles) lost their Medicaid prescription coverage on December 31, 2005. Their only option (i.e. not voluntarily) is to receive their prescription drugs through Medicare Part D. Some low income Medicare Part D eligible consumers are also eligible for a federal Low Income Subsidy (LIS) which eliminates or reduces premiums and deductibles. Dual eligibles are automatically enrolled in both the LIS and Medicare Part D programs. Duals do not have premiums or deductibles and pay only very low co-payments. For more information on Medicare Part D including a more detailed summary, formulary updates, and a Resource Listing go to:

www.coalitionny.org/medicare_ptd/

One-Stop Centers

In New York City, One-Stop Centers are also referred to as Workforce 1 Career Centers. These multi-service career centers house several public and private partner agencies in a single location to provide employment, education and training services. They offer 'one-stop shopping' services to meet the myriad of needs of job-seekers. Partners at the One-Stop include the Department of Labor, NYC's Human Resource Administration, VESID, Department for the Aging, and more. The goal of the One-Stop system is the coordination of these partner programs so that the customer has access to a range of services. Some of the free services at the Centers include: workshops on how to search for a job; resume and cover letter preparation; faxing resumes and telephoning employers; Internet access to job search web sites; computer skills assessment and workshops; job placement services; training opportunities; information on professions in high demand; Unemployment Insurance benefits information; Veteran services; vocational rehabilitation information; information on services for senior citizens; emergency assistance including utilities and food; education assessment and student financial aid application assistance; English as a Second Language; GED and Adult Literacy information; and help with benefits such as childcare, Medicaid and other health insurance. For more information on the one-stop centers, including locations, visit New York State's Workforce New York web site at:

One-Stop Centers in New York City:

Brooklyn Workforce1 Career Center
9 Bond Street, 5th Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Phone: (718) 246-5219

NYC Workforce1 Career Center
215 West 125th Street, 6th Floor
New York, NY 10027
Phone: (917) 493-7000

NYC Workforce1 Career Center
358 East 149th Street, 2nd Fl.
Bronx, NY 10455
Phone: (718) 960-7099

Queens One-Stop Career Center
168-46 91st Avenue
Jamaica, NY 11432
Phone: (718) 557-6735

Staten Island Workforce 1 Career Center
60 Bay Street
Staten Island, NY 10301
Phone: (718) 556-9155 x110

VESID

The Office of Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities (VESID) is the state's vocational rehabilitation system that is working to meet the needs of people with disabilities. VESID recognizes that all persons with disabilities can benefit from vocational rehabilitation services and should have opportunities to work in jobs in their communities. Counselors guide individuals through service programs to reach their employment goals. Often this occurs through referrals to community based providers for services such as: vocational assessments; vocational counseling; assistance with transition from school to work; job training and placement; job follow-up; and other services to support the individual's employment objectives.

VESID may help with sponsoring education and training opportunities designed to develop the skills needed for specific careers. VESID works in partnership with the business community, with vocational rehabilitation providers (including many of those listed in this directory), other agencies, labor organizations, and schools.

It is important to know that getting services from VESID is a process that involves an application, being determined eligible for services, vocational counseling, and the development of an Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE). To apply for VESID services you can contact your local VESID office directly or be referred by your treating physician, treatment center or rehabilitation program. For more information, go to:

www.vesid.nysed.gov

VESID Offices in New York City:

Bronx District Office
1215 Zerega Avenue
Bronx, NY 10462
(718) 931-3500

Brooklyn District Office
New York State Office Building
55 Hanson Place, 2nd floor
Brooklyn, NY 11217-1580
(718) 722-6700 or (718) 722-6701

Manhattan District Office
116 West 32nd St.
New York, New York 10001
(212) 630-2300

Harlem Satellite Office
163 West 125th St., Rm 713
Adam Clayton Powell Jr. State Office Building
New York, New York 10027
(212) 961-442

Queens District Office
59-17 Junction Blvd, 20th floor
Corona, NY 11368
(718) 271-8315

Staten Island Satellite Office
1139 Hylan Blvd.
Staten Island, NY 10305
718-816-4800

Choosing an Employment Program

There are many programs listed in this directory. Although many of these provide similar services, each program is different in its own way. To help you distinguish one service from the next so that you can decide which program is right for you, we've listed some questions you may want to ask program staff:

- Is there a waiting list to get in? If so, how long do I have to wait?
- Do I need a referral?
- Do I need to become eligible?
- How do I qualify for services at this program?
- Can I explore what kind of job I would be good at?
- Do I have to complete any requirements before I can get help with looking for a job?
- How long will it take for me to get a job?
- What kind of job can I get?
- When I get a job, will I be working with other consumers or on my own?
- Where will my job be located and how long can I keep it?
- If I'm in a training program, do I get paid? How much?

- Is there flexibility if I can't participate in the program?
- Who helps support me on the job? What kind of supports are provided and how long do they last?
- What happens if I don't like my first job or it doesn't work out? How quickly will I get help with finding a new one?
- Do you offer any kind of peer support?
- Who can help me with my cash and medical benefits?
- What other services do you provide besides employment services?

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CATHOLIC CHARITIES BEACON OF HOPE:

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Boulevard Clubhouse

512 Southern Boulevard
Bronx, NY 10455
Phone:(718) 993-1078
Fax:(718) 993-0216
Web: www.catholiccharitiesny.org

Approach

Clubhouse

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Transportation

Bus
Bx19 Southern Blvd

Subway
6 149 St

Bronx IPRT

3600 Jerome Avenue
Bronx, NY 10467
Phone:(718) 881-7600
Fax:(718) 519-0851
Web: www.fegs.org

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Volunteer

Comments

Functional assessment, goal setting, and linkages to community resources for career and education are provided.

Transportation

Bus
Bx16, 34 Woodlawn

Subway
4 Woodlawn

FEGS:

East Bronx Enclave

3600 Jerome Avenue
Bronx, NY 10467
Phone:(718) 741-5131
Fax:(718) 231-5140
Web: www.fegs.org

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Industry specific training

Comments

This program offers competitive employment in community based enclaves for consumers who reside in the East Bronx.

Transportation

Bus
Bx16, 34 Woodlawn

Subway
4 Woodlawn

FEGS:

Project Dare

3600 Jerome Avenue
Bronx, NY 10467
Phone:(718) 741-5131
Fax:(718) 231-5140
Web: www.fegs.org

Approach

Sheltered Workshop

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Comments

This program is a sheltered integrated enclave in a community-based worksite with on-site staff supervision.

Transportation

Bus
Bx16, 34 Woodlawn

Subway
4 Woodlawn

**FORDHAM-TREMONT COMMUNITY MENTAL
HEALTH CENTER:**

ACE

2250 Ryer Avenue
Bronx, New York 10457
Phone:(718) 960-0680
Fax:(718) 563-4478
Web: www.fordhamtremont.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

This program is designed for mental health consumers who have a history of substance abuse.

Transportation

Bus
Bx1, 2182 St

Subway
B,D 182-183 Sts

GEEL COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Geel Clubhouse

564 Walton Avenue
Bronx, NY 10451
Phone:(718) 742-9884
Fax:(718) 742-9867
Web: www.geelcommunityservices.org

Approach

Clubhouse

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Transitional Employment
Supported Employment
Volunteer

Comments

Computer training and tutoring services also available.

Transportation

Bus
Bx1, 19

Subway
2, 4, 5 149 St-Grand Concourse

**GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER NY
AND NORTHERN NJ:**

**Bronx Best (Bronx Employment
Support and Training) ACE Program**

384 East 149th Street, Rm 421
Bronx, NY 10455
Phone:(718) 401-2555
Fax:(718) 401-2557
Web: www.goodwillny.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Transportation

Subway
2, 5 3 Ave -149 St

**GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER NY
AND NORTHERN NJ:**

**Bronx Best South (Bronx
Employment Support and Training)
ACE Program**

384 East 149th Street, Rm 421
Bronx, NY 10455
Phone:(718) 401-2555
Fax:(718) 401-2557
Web: www.goodwillny.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Transportation

Subway
2, 5 3 Ave -149 St

Peer Run Adult Self Help (ASH)

384 East 149th Street, Rm 415
Bronx, NY 10455
Phone:(718) 401-2555
Fax:(718) 401-2557
Web: www.goodwillny.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

This is a peer run program for individuals living in the Bronx. The program provides recreational and educational services as well as Double Trouble in Recovery groups.

Transportation

Subway
2, 5 3 Ave -149 St

**VESID MH Supported Employment
Program**

384 East 149th Street, Rm 421
Bronx, NY 10455
Phone:(718) 401-2555
Fax:(718) 401-2557
Web: www.goodwillny.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

VESID eligibility required.

Transportation

Subway
2, 5 3 Ave -149 St

JEWISH BOARD OF FAMILY & CHILDREN'S SERVICES:

Bronx Real IPRT

55 Westchester Square
Bronx, NY 10461
Phone:(718) 931-4045 x249
Fax:(718) 828-1372
Web: www.jbfcs.org

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship

Comments

A wide range of recovery oriented services are available such as career counseling, case management, work readiness skills, support groups, and computer tutorials. Placement in a variety of onsite internships such as reception and maintenance is also available.

Transportation

Subway
6 East Tremont Ave/Westchester Sq

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (MHA):

Adolescent Career Development Center

595 Gerard Avenue, 2nd Floor
Bronx, NY 10456
Phone:(718) 742-6181
Fax:(718) 742-6016
Web: www.mhaofnyc.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Comments

This program is designed for adolescents ages 14-18 who are consumers of Bronx Children Psychiatric Centers' hospital and community based programs.

Transportation

Bus
Bx19

Subway

2, 4, 5 149 St-Grand Concourse

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (MHA):

Adolescent Skills Center South

369 East 148th Street, Lower Level
Bronx, NY 10455
Phone:(718) 292-7880
Fax:(718) 292-7950
Web: www.mhaofnyc.org

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship

Comments

This program is designed for adolescents ages 16-21.
Internships and computer training are available.
This program offers GED preparation, literacy
classes and assistance with educational goals.

Transportation

Bus
Bx15, 41, 55

Subway
2, 5 3 Ave -149 St

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (MHA):

Adolescent Skills Center West

400 East Fordham Road
Bronx, New York 10458
Phone:(718) 329-8796
Fax:(718) 741-8097
Web: www.mhaofnyc.org

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship

Comments

This program is designed for adolescents ages 16-21.
Internships and computer training are available.
This program offers GED preparation, literacy
classes and assistance with educational goals.

Transportation

Bus
Bx12, 15, 22, 41, 55 Fordham Rd

Subway
B, D Fordham Rd

RIVERDALE MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION:

**Bronx WAVE
(Work, Achievement, Values
and Education)**

5676 Riverdale Avenue
Bronx, NY 10471
Phone: (718) 432-8099
Fax: (718) 548-1161
Web: www.rmha.org

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Comments

This is an 11-week work readiness program for young adults ages 17-24. Program is intended for youth transitioning from high school, already out of school, or unemployed with emotional, social or academic problems. VESID eligibility is required. Staff will assist with VESID application. Program participants can also apply for the agency's Handle It! program.

Transportation

Bus
Bx7,10, M1, M2 259 St and Riverdale Ave

Subway

1 231 St, transfer to Bx7, 10 bus
A 207 St, transfer to Bx7 bus

RIVERDALE MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION:

Handle It! Career Program

5676 Riverdale Avenue
Bronx, NY 10471
Phone:(718) 432-8099
Fax:(718) 548-1161
Web: www.rmha.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Pre-vocational training
Job placement and training
Industry specific training

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Internship

Comments

This is a 16 week career program for 17-21 year olds in the Bronx training participants for jobs as art handlers and gallery assistants.

Transportation

Bus
Bx7,10, M1, M2 259 St and Riverdale Ave

Subway

1 231 St, transfer to Bx7,10 bus
A 207 St, transfer to Bx7 bus

RIVERDALE MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION:

Supported Employment

5676 Riverdale Avenue
Bronx, NY 10471
Phone: (718) 796-5300 x109
Fax: (718) 548-1161
Web: www.rmha.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

VESID eligibility is required

Transportation

Bus
Bx7,10, M1, M2259 St and Riverdale Ave

Subway

1 231 St, transfer to Bx7,10 bus
A 207 St, transfer to Bx7 bus

**YAI/NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR PEOPLE WITH
DISABILITIES:**

CAPABLE Program

2360 Westchester Avenue
Bronx, NY 10462
Phone:(718) 792-6221
Fax:(718) 792-6859
Web: www.yai.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Comments

VESID eligibility is required. Supported employment services are available for consumers with a psychiatric diagnosis, and consumers with both a psychiatric and secondary diagnosis of mental retardation or another developmental disability.

Transportation

Bus
Bx4 Zerega Ave

Subway

6 Zerega Ave

Brooklyn

BALTIC STREET ADVOCACY EMPLOYMENT HOUSING (AEH)

Baltic Bazaar

141 Atlantic Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Phone:(718) 858-2900
Fax:(718) 858-9019
Web: www.balticstreet.org

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Industry specific training

Comments

This program offers paid industry training in retail sales, stock, inventory and maintenance. Apprenticeships are available for those who have worked in the fabric and retail industry. Baltic Bazaar is a fabric arts store offering clothing, home wares and fabric articles made at the store.

Transportation

Bus
B61, 63 Atlantic Ave/Court St

Subway
2, 3, 4, 5 Borough Hall
F, G Bergen St
M, R Court St

BALTIC STREET ADVOCACY EMPLOYMENT HOUSING (AEH):

NetWORKPlus I

25 Flatbush Avenue, 2nd Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11217
Phone:(718) 797-2509
Fax:(718) 643-6631
Web: www.balticstreet.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Transportation

Bus
B25,26,38,52 Nevins St/Flatbush Ave

Subway
2, 3, 4, 5 Nevins St

**BALTIC STREET ADVOCACY EMPLOYMENT
HOUSING (AEH):**

NetWORKPlus II

1083 McDonald Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11230
Phone:(718) 377-8567
Fax:(718) 377-8569
Web: www.balticstreet.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Transportation

Subway
F Ave I

BLACK VETERANS:

Veterans Programs

665 Willoughby Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11206
Phone:(718) 852-6004
Fax:(718) 852-4805
Web: www.bvsj.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Industry specific training
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Comments

This program is for veterans who require mental health support and are homeless. It offers industry specific training in computer skills.

Transportation

Bus
B43 Hart St

Subway
A, C Nostrand Ave
G Myrtle/Willoughby Avs

Adolescent Employment & Education Program

2673 Atlantic Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11207
Phone:(718) 566-0305
Fax:(718) 566-0311
Web: www.bbcs.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Comments

This program is designed for adolescents age 16-21. It offers GED preparation, assistance with educational goals, vocational training, individual and group counseling.

Transportation

Bus
B12,20,40,83 Liberty Ave

Subway
C Liberty Ave

East New York Clubhouse

2697 Atlantic Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11207
Phone:(718) 235-5780
Fax:(718) 235-5793
Web: www.bbcs.org

Approach

Clubhouse

Services

Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Transportation

Bus
B12,20,40,83 Liberty Ave

Subway
C Liberty Ave
J Alabama Ave

BROOKLYN BUREAU OF COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Enclave in Industry

285 Schermerhorn Street
Brooklyn, NY 11217
Phone:(718) 310-5768
Fax:(718) 855-1517
Web: www.bbcs.org

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Industry specific training

Comments

This program offers supported employment in an enclave setting.

Transportation

Bus
B25,26,37,38,52 Nevins St/Hoyt St
B41,45 Livingston St

Subway

2, 3, 4, 5 Nevins St
A, C, G Hoyt-Schermerhorn
B,M,Q,R DeKalb Ave

BROOKLYN BUREAU OF COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Metro Club

25 Chapel Street, Suite 1204
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Phone:(718) 596-8960
Fax:(718) 596-8964
Web: www.bbcs.org

Approach

Clubhouse

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Transportation

Bus
B25, 26, 54 Jay St & Tillary St
B67, 75 Jay St & Chapel St

Subway

2, 3, 4, 5 Borough Hall
A, C, F Jay St
M, R Court St

Placement Program

285 Schermerhorn Street
Brooklyn, NY 11217
Phone:(718) 310-5789
Fax:(718) 310-5879
Web: www.bbcs.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Transportation

Bus
B25, 26, 37, 38, 52 Nevins/Hoyt St
B41, 45 Livingston St

Subway
2, 3, 4, 5 Nevins St
A, C, G Hoyt-Schermerhorn
B, M, Q, R DeKalb Ave

Specialized Vocational Training Program

285 Schermerhorn Street
Brooklyn, New York 11217
Phone:(718) 310-5789
Fax:(718) 310-5879
Web: www.bbcs.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Comments

This six month program offers classroom and on-the-job training in retail. VESID eligibility is required for this program.

Transportation

Bus
B25, 26, 37, 38, 52 Nevins/Hoyt St
B41, 45 Livingston St

Subway
2, 3, 4, 5 Nevins St
A, C, G Hoyt-Schermerhorn
B, M, Q, R DeKalb Ave

Supported Employment Program

285 Schermerhorn Street
Brooklyn, NY 11217
Phone:(718) 310-5775
Fax:(718) 310-5879
Web: www.bbcs.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

VESID eligibility is required for Intensive Services.

Transportation

Bus
B25, 26, 37, 38,52 Nevins/Hoyt St
B41, 45 Livingston

Subway

2, 3, 4, 5 Nevins St
A, C, G Hoyt-Schermerhorn
B, M, Q, R DeKalb Ave

Work Adjustment Training (WAT)

285 Schermerhorn Street
Brooklyn, New York 11217
Phone:(718) 310-5785
Fax:(718) 310-5879
Web: www.bbcs.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Industry specific training

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

This six month program offers training in Porter Maintenance, Shipping & Receiving, Food Service, Messenger, and Clerical work. VESID eligibility is required.

Transportation

Bus
B25, 26, 37, 38, 52 Nevins/Hoyt St
B41,45 Livingston St

Subway

2, 3, 4, 5 Nevins St
A, C, G Hoyt-Schermerhorn
B, M, Q, R DeKalb Ave

BROOKLYN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION:

LAUNCH Program

175 Remsen Street, Suite 350
Brooklyn, New York 11201
Phone:(718) 522-4600
Fax:(718) 797-9286
Web: www.bedc.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

The goal of this program is self-employment. This program offers three month entrepreneur training classes, specialized workshops, networking events, and individualized counseling for consumers looking to start their own businesses. Services are free to qualified participants.

Transportation

Bus
B25, 26, 38, 41, 52

Subway
2, 3, 4, 5 Borough Hall
M, R Court St

BUILDERS FOR FAMILIES AND YOUTH (BFFY); AFFILIATES OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES, BROOKLYN/QUEENS:

World of Work Brooklyn

2037 Utica Avenue, 2nd Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11234
Phone:(718) 758-9491
Fax:(718) 758-9497
Web: www.ccbq.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Comments

This program is designed for consumers with a history of substance abuse.

Transportation

Bus
B41 Bergen Beach
B46 Ave L, M

Subway
3,4 Crown Hts/Utica Ave

FEGS:

Brooklyn Community Rehabilitation Center

3312-30 Surf Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11224
Phone:(718) 449-7900
Fax:(718) 449-7903
Web: www.fegs.org

Approach

Sheltered Workshop

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Comments

A blend of facility-based sheltered employment and community-based integrated employment is available.

Transportation

Bus
B36 33 rd St
Subway
D, F, N, Q Coney Island-Stillwell Ave

FEGS:

Brooklyn IPRT

199 Jay Street
Brooklyn, NY 11217
Phone:(718) 488-0100
Fax:(718) 855-5725
Web: www.fegs.org

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job placement and training
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Volunteer

Comments

This is a goal readiness program. Functional assessments are available on-site to provide job role exposure and skill development.

Transportation

Bus
B25, 41, 69 High St

Subway
A, C High St

FEGS:

Twin Bridges

199 Jay Street
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Phone:(718) 488-0100
Fax:(718) 596-3277
Web: www.fegs.org

Approach

Psychosocial Club

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment
Volunteer

Transportation

Bus
B25, 41, 69 High St

Subway
A, C High St

**GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER NY
AND NORTHERN NJ:**

**BACE (Brooklyn Assisted
Competitive Employment) Program**

2559-65 West 13th Street
Brooklyn, New York 11223
Phone:(718) 372-0195
Fax:(718) 372-0683
Web: www.goodwillny.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Transportation

Subway
D Bay 50 S

**GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER NY
AND NORTHERN NJ:**

Seamark Center

2559-65 West 13th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11223
Phone:(718) 372-0450
Fax:(718) 372-0683
Web: www.goodwillny.org

Approach

Psychosocial Club

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Transitional Employment

Transportation

Subway
D Bay 50 St

INSTITUTE FOR COMMUNITY LIVING (ICL):

**Vocational and Rehabilitation
Services**

2384 Atlantic Avenue, 4th Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11233
Phone:(718) 272-6046
Fax:(718) 495-6819
Web: www.iclinc.net

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Industry specific training

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

This program offers industry specific training in janitorial and computer skills. Cognitive Remediation training is also available. Services are specifically targeted to individuals with multiple barriers to competitive employment.

Transportation

Subway
A, C, J, L, Z Broadway Junction

INTERFAITH MEDICAL CENTER:

IPRT

1545 Atlantic Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11213
Phone:(718) 613-4343
Fax:(718) 613-4376
Web: www.interfaithmedical.com

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Comments

In addition to individual and group vocational services, program components include: computer instruction and Internet training; art, dance, movement and video groups; interpersonal skills training; empowerment and advocacy workshops; self-esteem building exercises; and workshops to improve personal responsibility.

Transportation

Subway
A,C Utica Avenue

OHEL:

Consumer Employment Services

5309 18th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11204
Phone:(718) 686-3183
Fax:(718) 234-6809
Web: www.ohelfamily.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Volunteer

Comments

Within a psychosocial club setting, this program serves the residents of OHEL's housing services and the Jewish community at large.

Transportation

Subway
F Ditmas Ave

SERVICES FOR THE UNDERSERVED (SUS):

ACE

25 Chapel Street, Suite 1005
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Phone:(718) 403-9846
Fax:(718) 643-6568
Web: www.susnyc.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Internship
Volunteer

Comments

This program provides supportive and competitive employment opportunities while assisting consumers develop job skills necessary for sustained employment. There is also a weekly work readiness seminar.

Transportation

Bus
B57, 67 Jay St and Chapel St

Subway
A, C Borough Hall
2, 3 Court St
N, R Lawrence St

SERVICES FOR THE UNDERSERVED (SUS):

Brooklyn Clubhouse

921 East New York Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11203
Phone:(718) 467-6876
Fax:(718) 467-1176
Web: www.susnyc.org

Approach

Psychosocial Club

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Job types offered

Transitional Employment

Transportation

Bus
B14,17,46 Crown Heights

Subway
3, 4 Crown Hts Utica Ave

Summit House

59-22 18th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11204
Phone:(718) 256-3430
Fax:(718) 256-3504

Approach

Clubhouse

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Transportation

Bus
B8 18 Ave

Subway
D, M 18 Ave

SUMMIT HOUSE:

West Brooklyn Copy and Document Center

1775 60th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11204
Phone:(718) 331-4800
Fax:(718) 621-6117

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job placement and training
Job retention
Industry specific training

Comments

This program offers industry specific training in photocopying, graphic design, and printing. This is a store-front operation.

Transportation

Bus
B8 18 Ave

Subway
D, M 18 Ave

Manhattan

THE BRIDGE:

ACE

1795 Lexington Avenue
New York, NY 10029
Phone:(212) 289-4282
Fax:(212) 289-4853
Web: www.thebridgeinc.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Transportation

Bus
M102 111St/Lexington Ave

Subway
6 110 St

THE BRIDGE:

IPRT

248 West 108th Street
New York, NY 10025
Phone:(212) 663-3000 x423
Fax:(212) 663-4853
Web: www.thebridgeinc.org

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Education & career development

Transportation

Bus
M4,104 110 St

Subway
1 110 St

THE BRIDGE:

Supported Employment Program

248 West 108th Street
New York, NY 10025
Phone:(212) 663-3000
Fax:(212) 663-4135
Web: www.thebridgeinc.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Transportation

Bus
M4,104 110 St

Subway
1 110 St

THE BRIDGE:

Work Adjustment Training

248 West 108th Street
New York, New York 10025
Phone:(212) 663-3000
Fax:(212) 663-4135
Web: www.thebridgeinc.org

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education and career development
Industry specific training

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

Job types include food service, mail room, messenger, and porter/maintenance.

Transportation

Bus
M4, 104 110 St

Subway
1 110 St

ACE Program

2090 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Boulevard, 11th Floor
New York, NY 10027
Phone:(212) 663-1501
Fax:(212) 663-7305
Web: www.cbhsny.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment
Transitional Employment
Volunteer

Comments

Individual and group counseling, substance abuse counseling, case management and referral to psychiatric services are available. This program serves individuals with mental illness who have a forensic background.

Transportation

Bus
Bx15, M10, 60, 100, 101 125 St

Subway
2, 3, A, C, B, D 125 St

Career Development Program

2090 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Boulevard, 11th Floor
New York, NY 10027
Phone:(212) 663-1501
Fax:(212) 663-7305
Web: www.cbhsny.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education and career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment
Transitional Employment
Volunteer

Comments

This program is designed for young adults ages 18-25. It includes educational/vocational services as well as case management.

Transportation

Bus
Bx15, M10, 60, 100, 101 125 St

Subway
2, 3, A, C, B, D 125 St

COMMUNITY ACCESS:

Club Access

666 Broadway, 4th Floor
New York, NY 10012
Phone:(212) 780-9008
Fax:(212) 780-9619
Web: www.cairn.org

Approach

Psychosocial Club

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment
Volunteer

Comments

This program offers transitional employment positions such as House Aides and Peer Counselors/Escorts. Within the clubhouse consumers develop skills working in the different units, such as membership, food, and maintenance.

Transportation

Subway
6 Bleecker St
B, D, F, V Broadway/Lafayette St
N, R, W Prince St

COMMUNITY ACCESS:

**Howie T. Harp Assisted
Competitive Employment (ACE) Program**

2090 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Boulevard, 12th Floor
New York, NY 10027
Phone:(212) 865-0775
Fax:(212) 865-1130
Web: www.cairn.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Education and career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

This program is designed for consumers seeking jobs in the human services field. Recent work experience and or education in human services is required. Open houses are held weekly. Please call for the latest information.

Transportation

Bus
Bx15, M10, 60, 100, 101 125 St

Subway
2, 3, A, C, B, D 125 St

COMMUNITY ACCESS:

**Howie T. Harp Peer Specialist
Training Program**

2090 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Boulevard, 12th Floor
New York, NY 10027
Phone:(212) 865-0775
Fax: (212) 865-1130
Web: www.cairn.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Comments

This program is designed to prepare consumers for work in the human services field. The approach involves classroom-based learning, individual tutoring, internships and peer support groups. Continuing education in topics such as CASAC training, Medicaid billing, student loans, and CPRP exam preparation is available for working consumers looking to update their skills.

Transportation

Bus
Bx15, M10, 60, 100, 101 125 St

Subway
2, 3, A, C, B, D 125 St

COMMUNITY ACCESS:

STARR Program (Steps to Renewed Reality)

2090 Adam Clayton Powell Jr. Boulevard, 12th Floor
New York, NY 10027
Phone: (212) 865-0775
Fax: (212) 865-1130
Web: www.cairn.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Education and career development

Job types offered

Supported employment

Comments

This program is intended for consumers who have experienced incarceration in jail and or prison. Similar to the Peer Specialist Program, curriculum topics include: double trouble in recovery meetings, time management, parenting workshops and stress management. Graduates are prepared for paid positions within agencies serving formerly incarcerated individuals.

Transportation

Bus
Bx15, M10, 60, 100, 101 125 St

Subway
2, 3, A, C, B, D 125 St

FEDCAP:

Chelton Loft

119 West 19th Street, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10011
Phone:(212) 727-4360
Fax:(212) 727-4379
Web: www.cheltonloft.org

Approach

Clubhouse

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Transportation

Subway
1 18 St

FEGS:

**Manhattan Community
Rehabilitation & Training Center**

315 Hudson Street
New York, NY 10013
Phone:(212) 366-8271
Fax:(212) 366-8290
Web:www.fegs.org

Approach

Sheltered Workshop

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Comments

A blend of facility-based sheltered employment and community based integrated employment is available. Positions are available in mail handling and distribution. VESID sponsorship is required.

Transportation

Bus
M20 Varick St/Hudson St
M21 Spring St/Hudson St

Subway
1 Houston St
C, E Spring St

FEGS:

Manhattan IPRT

80 Vandam Street, 7th Floor
New York, NY 10013
Phone:(212) 366-8171
Fax:(212) 366-8004
Web: www.fegs.org

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Volunteer

Comments

This program focuses on self-help and wellness. Consumers learn skills to assist with the prevention and management of symptoms. Cognitive remediation and computer technology are used to help develop organizational, memory and decision-making skills. Access to computers and Internet is available. Internship positions are developed.

Transportation

Bus
M20 Varick St/Hudson S
M21 Spring St/Hudson St

Subway

1 Houston St
C, E Spring St

FEGS:

Supported Employment

315 Hudson Street
New York, NY 10013
Phone:(212) 366-8487
Fax:(212) 414-3055
Web: www.fegs.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

VESID eligibility is required. All consumers must successfully complete the VESID Intensive prior to participating in the OMH-funded long-term supports.

Transportation

Bus
M20 Varick St/Hudson St
M21 Spring St/Hudson St

Subway

1 Houston St
C,E Spring St

Fountain House

425 West 47th Street
New York, NY 10036
Phone:(212) 582-0340
Fax:(212) 582-6971
Web: www.fountainhouse.org

Approach

Clubhouse

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Transportation

Subway
1, C, E 50 St
N, R, W 49 St

GODDARD RIVERSIDE:

Greenkeepers

577 Columbus Avenue
New York, NY 10024
Phone: (646) 505-1088
Fax: (646) 505-1096
Web: www.goddard.org

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development
Industry specific training

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

Greenkeepers is a social purpose business and a part of Goddard's TOP Opportunities vocational program. This program is designed for consumers with a history of homelessness. Referrals must be made through a case manager. Referrals from VESID may also be accepted. Industry specific training and supported employment positions in horticulture and landscape maintenance are offered. Once the initial training is completed, competitive wage positions are pursued.

Transportation

Bus
M7, 11, 86, 104 86 St & Columbus Ave

Subway
1, A, C, B, D 86 St

GODDARD RIVERSIDE:

TOP Opportunities

577 Columbus Avenue
New York, NY 10024
Phone:(646) 505-1088
Fax:(646) 505-1096
Web: www.goddard.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

This program is designed for consumers with a history of homelessness. Referrals must be made through a case manager. A limited number of referrals may be made through VESID. TOP Opportunities places people in a broad range of careers including its business, Greenkeepers.

Transportation

Bus
M7, 11, 86, 104 86 St & Columbus Ave

Subway

1, A, C, B, D 86 St

**GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER NY
AND NORTHERN NJ:**

VESID MH Supported Employment Program

216 East 41st Street
New York, NY 10017
Phone: (212) 692-0525
Fax: (917) 575-0104
Web: www.goodwillny.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job Types

Supported Employment

Transportation

Subway
4, 5, 6, 7, S Grand Central-42nd St

HARLEM HOSPITAL:

Harlem House

264 West 118th Street, Level B
New York, NY 10026
Phone:(212) 932-8122
Fax:(212) 316-0950

Approach

Psychosocial Club

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention

Job types offered

Transitional Employment

Comments

This program provides six month work training placements at Harlem Hospital Center as Housekeeping Assistants, Clerical Assistants and Dietary Assistants.

Transportation

Subway
2, 3, B, C 116 St

HENRY STREET SETTLEMENT:

Unlimited Computer Training Program

40 Montgomery Street
New York, New York 10002
Phone:(212) 233-5032
Fax:(212) 571-4132
Web: www.henrystreet.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Education & career development
Industry specific training

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Comments

This program offers industry specific training in computer skills. The program consists of six, five-week modules of computer training, community based internships and job placement services. VESID eligibility and additional entrance criteria are required.

Transportation

Subway
F East Broadway

**INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR THE DISABLED
(ICD):**

Vocational Services

340 East 24th Street
New York, NY 10010
Phone:(212) 585-6007
Fax:(212) 585-6161
Web:www.icdnyc.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Comments

Vocational Services offers industry specific training in:
Direct Care, preparing trainees to work with persons in residential and day programs; Food Service; Office Technology training for support service positions; Human Services Assistant, preparing paraprofessionals in the human services and healthcare fields; and Janitorial Services/Building Maintenance.

Transportation

Bus
M15,16,21,23 23 St & 1 Ave

Subway
6, N, R, W 23 St

**INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR THE DISABLED
(ICD):**

Youth Employment Services (Y.E.S.)

340 East 24th Street
New York, NY 10010
Phone:(212) 585-6043
Fax:(212) 585-6052
Web: www.icdnyc.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment
Volunteer

Comments

This program provides a full range of intensive educational and vocational programming. It prepares and transitions adolescents and young adults into adult community living and into the world of work through an individualized, person-centered approach, which emphasizes functional outcomes. Participants benefit from a comprehensive pre-employment skill development plan that includes career counseling, life skills training, GED preparation and job placement.

Transportation

Bus
M15,16,21,23 23 St & 1 Ave

Subway
6, N, R, W 23 St

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (MHA):

Fast Track to Employment

4 West 125th Street, C Level
New York, NY 10029
Phone:(212) 828-8747
Fax:(212) 828-8956
Web: www.mhaofnyc.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education and career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Comments

This program is designed for consumers with a history of substance abuse, homelessness or involvement with the criminal justice system who reside in Upper Manhattan or the Bronx

Transportation

Bus
Bx15, M1, 60, 100, 101 125 St & 5th Ave

Subway
1, 2, 3 125 St

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (MHA):

Fast Track to Employment Enclave

50 Broadway, 19th Floor
New York, NY 10004
Phone:(212) 964-5253
Fax:(212) 964-7294
Web: www.mhaofnyc.org

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

Consumers must be Manhattan residents.

Transportation

Bus
M1, 6 Broadway & Morris St

Subway
2, 3, 4, 5 Wall St
J, M, Z Broad St
R, W Rector St

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (MHA):

**Fast Track to Employment -
Manhattan Psychiatric Center**

163 West 125th Street
New York, NY 10027
Phone:(212) 961-4380
Fax:(212) 961-8724
Web: www.mhaofnyc.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Comments

This program serves consumers attending the Manhattan Psychiatric Center Outpatient Day Treatment and Clinic Programs. The program also accepts VESID supported employment referrals.

Transportation

Bus
Bx15, M2, 60, 100, 101 Adam Clayton Powell Jr Blvd & 125 St

Subway
2, 3, A, C, B, D 125 St

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (MHA):

Harlem Bay

4 West 125th Street, C level
New York, NY 10029
Phone:(212) 876-6083
Fax:(212) 876-6092
Web: www.mhaofnyc.org

Approach

Clubhouse

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Transportation

Bus
Bx15, M1, 60, 100, 101 125 St & 5th Ave

Subway
2, 3 125 St

MOUNT SINAI:

**POSTGRADUATE CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH
(PCMH):**

Vocational Services Program

Affirmative Business

53-55 East 96th Street
New York, NY 10028
Phone:(212) 987-7195
Fax:(212) 987-7288
Web: www.mountsinai.org

344 West 36th Street
New York, NY 10018
Phone:(212) 560-6731
Fax:(212) 244-2034
Web: www.pgcmh.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development
Industry specific training

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Industry specific training

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

Internships are available at sites throughout the hospital. The Continuing Day Treatment Program has a paid 12-hour internship combined with treatment. A VESID supported employment program offers a full array of intensive and aftercare supports. Weekly Double Trouble groups are available.

Comments

This is a 16 week training program with building superintendents designed to lead to competitive employment in light maintenance

Transportation

Bus
M1, 2, 3, 4, 96 96 St

Transportation

Subway
1, 2, 3, A, C, E 34 St-Penn Station

Subway
6 96 St

**POSTGRADUATE CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH
(PCMH):**

Employment Services Division

344 West 36th Street
New York, NY 10018
Phone:(212) 560-6731
Fax:(212) 244-2034
Web: www.pgcmh.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development
Industry specific training

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment
Volunteer

Comments

This program offers a full range of employment services including supported employment and a ten-month training program in office computer skills. VESID eligibility is required for some services.

Transportation

Subway
1, 2, 3, A, C, E 34 St-Penn Station

**POSTGRADUATE CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH
(PCMH):**

IPRT

344 West 36th Street
New York, NY 10018
Phone:(212) 560-6731
Fax:(212) 244-2034
Web: www.pgcmh.org

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Volunteer

Comments

This program is a component of PCMH's continuum of care. Consumers work on goal plans that may include employment or education.

Transportation

Subway
1, 2, 3, A, C, E 34 St-Penn Station

PROJECT RENEWAL:

Job Links

200 Varick Street, 9th floor
New York, NY 10014
Phone:(212) 620-0340 x374
Fax:(212) 620-6118
Web: www.projectrenewal.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

This program is designed for consumers with a history of homelessness.

Transportation

Bus
M21 Houston St

Subway
1 Houston St

PROJECT RENEWAL:

Next Step

200 Varick Street, 9th Floor
New York, NY 10014
Phone:(212) 620-0340
Fax:(212) 620-6118
Web: www.projectrenewal.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Comments

This program is designed for consumers with a history of substance abuse and homelessness.

Transportation

Bus
M21 Houston St

Subway
1 Houston St

UPPER MANHATTAN MENTAL HEALTH CENTER:

URBAN PATHWAYS:

TE Program

ESTEEM

1727 Amsterdam Avenue
New York, NY 10031
Phone:(212) 694-9200 x505
Fax:(212) 694-1402
Web: www.ummhinc.org

575 Eighth Avenue, 9th Floor
New York, NY 10018
Phone:(212) 736-7385
Fax:(212) 736-1388
Web: www.urbanpathways.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Industry specific training

Job types offered

Transitional Employment

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

This program provides in-house and external employment opportunities while helping consumers find competitive employment. There are weekly job seeking and peer support groups for all consumers. Individual vocational counseling and job coaching is available.

Comments

This program is designed for individuals with a diagnosed mental illness or a dual diagnosis (chemical dependency). Preference is given to those with a history of homelessness. Training in messenger, clerical, food and other services are available.

Transportation

Bus
Bx19, M100, 101 Amsterdam Ave & 145 St

Transportation

Bus
M20 59 St-Columbus Circle

Subway
1, A, B, C, D 145 St

Subway
A, C, E 42 St-Port Authority

WESTON UNITED:

Casita Unita

320 East 105th Street
New York, NY 10029
Phone:(212) 996-1990
Fax:(212) 996-4287
Web: www.westonunited.org

Approach

Psychosocial Club

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention

Job types offered

Transitional Employment

Comments

This is a bi-cultural and bi-lingual program designed for individuals who speak Spanish as their primary language.

Transportation

Bus
M15 106 St

Subway
6 103 St

WESTON UNITED:

Club United

321 West 125th Street, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10027
Phone:(646) 698-2190
Fax:(212) 316-9623
Web: www.westonunited.org

Approach

Clubhouse

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Transportation

Bus
Bx15 125 St & St. Nicholas Ave

Subway
A, C, B, D, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 125 St

Queens

**BUILDERS FOR FAMILIES AND YOUTH (BFFY);
AFFILIATES OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES,
BROOKLYN/QUEENS:**

**BUILDERS FOR FAMILIES AND YOUTH (BFFY);
AFFILIATES OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES,
BROOKLYN/QUEENS:**

ACE Program

1329 Beach Channel Drive
Far Rockaway, NY 11691
Phone:(718) 337-0504 x240
Fax:(718) 337-2135
Web: www.ccbq.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Transportation

Bus
N31,32,33 Q22,22A,113 Far Rockaway-Mott Ave

Subway
A Far Rockaway-Mott Ave

World of Work Queens

37-22 82nd Street
Jackson Heights, NY 11372
Phone:(718) 779-1600
Fax:(718) 396-6189
Web: www.ccbq.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

This program is designed for consumers with a history of substance abuse and homelessness.

Transportation

Bus
Q29 82 St
Q32 81 St
Q33 83 St

Subway

7 82 St-Jackson Hts

THE CHILD CENTER OF NEW YORK:

FEGS:

JobNet Youth Vocational Program

Project C.O.P.E. IPRT

161-06 89th Avenue, Suite 202
Jamaica, NY 11432
Phone:(718) 206-9670
Fax:(718) 558-8657
Web: www.childcenterny.org

90-04 161st Street, 6th Floor
Jamaica, NY 11432
Phone:(718) 291-7087
Fax:(718) 291-6697
Web: www.fegs.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job retention
Education & career development

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Job types offered

Internship
Volunteer

Comments

This program is designed for youth ages 16-21. It offers internships in a variety of settings, GED preparation classes and computer training.

Comments

This program is designed for consumers with a history of substance abuse. It offers twelve step readiness, Double Trouble groups, and dialectical behavioral group skills teaching.

Transportation

Subway
E, J, Z Jamaica Center
F Parsons Blvd

Transportation

Subway
E, J, Z Jamaica Center
F Parsons/Archer

**GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER NY AND
NORTHERN NJ:**

Citiview Connections

42-15 Crescent Street # 610
Long Island City, NY 11101
Phone:(718) 361-7030
Fax:(718) 361-7031
Web: www.goodwillny.org

Approach

Clubhouse

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Transportation

Subway
7, N, W Queensboro Plaza

**GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER NY
AND NORTHERN NJ:**

CSS I

4-21 27th Avenue
Astoria, NY 11102
Phone:(718) 777-6373
Fax:(718) 956-7018
Web: www.goodwillny.org

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training

Transportation

Subway
N, W 30 Ave

**GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER NY
AND NORTHERN NJ:**

CSS II

4-21 27th Avenue
Astoria, NY 11102
Phone:(718) 777-6373
Fax:(718) 956-7018
Web: www.goodwillny.org

Approach

Sheltered Workshop

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job placement and training
Job retention

Transportation

Subway
N, W 30 Ave

**GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER NY
AND NORTHERN NJ:**

Quest (Queens Employment Support and Training) ACE Program

4-21 27th Avenue
Astoria, NY 11102
Phone:(718) 728-5400
Fax:(718) 545-5626
Web: www.goodwillny.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Transportation

Subway
N, W 30 Ave

**GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF GREATER NY
AND NORTHERN NJ:**

**VESID MH Supported Employment
Program**

4-21 27th Avenue
Astoria, NY 11102
Phone:(718) 728-5400
Fax:(718) 545-5626
Web: www.goodwillny.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education and career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

VESID eligibility is required.

Transportation

Subway
N, W 30 Ave

**LEXINGTON CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH
SERVICES:**

Mental Health Services

25-26 75th Street
East Elmhurst, NY 11370
Phone:(718) 350-3140
Fax:(718) 350-3067
Web: www.lexnyc.com

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

This program is for the deaf and hard of hearing. VESID eligibility is required.

Transportation

Bus
Q47 74 St-Broadway-Roosevelt

Subway

7, E, F, G, R, V 74 St-Broadway-Roosevelt

LIFESPIRE:

Enclave Program

184-10 Jamaica Avenue
Hollis, NY 11423
Phone:(718) 454-6940
Fax:(718) 264-3203
Web: www.lifespire.org

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention

Comments

This program offers supported employment in an enclave setting.

Transportation

Subway
F Jamaica-179 St

LIFESPIRE:

Sheltered Workshop

184-10 Jamaica Avenue
Hollis, NY 11423
Phone:(718) 454-6940
Fax:(718) 264-3203
Web: www.lifespire.org

Approach

Sheltered Workshop

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job placement and training
Job retention

Transportation

Subway
F Jamaica-179 St

Hillside Hospital IPRT

Sign-On Village

205-07 Hillside Avenue, Suite 5-9
Hollis, NY 11423
Phone:(718) 264-1749
Fax:(718) 465-3294
Web: www.northshorelij.com

205-07 Hillside Avenue, Suite 20-23
Hollis, NY 11423
Phone:(718) 264-1789
Fax:(718) 264-2179
Web: www.northshorelij.com

Approach

Prevocational Program

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Education & career development

Services

Assessment
Job development
Job retention

Job types offered

Volunteer

Job types offered

Internship
Volunteer

Comments

Volunteer job placements are available.

Comments

A wide range of positions are available to prepare and develop awareness around work. Insurance is not required for service.

Transportation

Bus
Q1, 36, 43, 76, 77 Francis Lewis Blvd.

Transportation

Bus
Q1,36,43,76,77 Francis Lewis Blvd

Subway
F Jamaica-179 St

Subway
F Jamaica-179 St

LONG ISLAND JEWISH (LIJ) MEDICAL CENTER:

PSCH:

Supported Employment Program

Adolescent Skills Center

205-07 Hillside Avenue
Hollis, NY 11423
Phone:(718) 264-1749
Fax:(718) 465-8423
Web: www.northshorelij.com

40-11 23rd Avenue
Astoria, NY 11105
Phone:(718) 726-3834
Fax:(718) 726-3973
Web: www.psych.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment

Comments

VESID eligibility is required.

Comments

This program is designed for adolescents ages 16-21. This program offers GED preparation and assistance with educational goals. Computer training is available.

Transportation

Bus
Q17 Hillside Avenue
Q43, 36, 76 Francis Lewis/Hillside

Transportation

Bus
M60,Q19A, 101 Queens Plaza

Subway
7 Flushing Main St

Subway
N, W Ditmars Blvd

PSCH:

IPRT

23-15 37th Avenue
Long Island City, NY 11011
Phone:(718) 706-1071
Fax:(718) 706-1325
Web: www.psch.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Internship
Supported Employment
Transitional Employment
Volunteer

Comments

In addition to offering Intensive Psychiatric Rehabilitation Treatment (IPRT) Services to assist consumers to achieve vocational and educational goals, this program helps consumers obtain and retain employment.

Transportation

Subway
N, W Broadway

PSCH:

Project Clean

80-45 Winchester Boulevard
Queens Village, NY 11427
Phone:(718) 264-1689
Fax:(718) 736-2179
Web: www.psch.org

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Industry specific training

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

This program offers industry specific training in Commercial Cleaning, Grounds Keeping and Janitorial Services. Supported Employment positions are developed.

Transportation

Bus
Q43 Jamaica-179 St

Subway
F Jamaica-179 St

Arts and Carafes

147-17 Jamaica Avenue
Jamaica, NY 11435
Phone:(718) 526-8400
Fax:(718) 297-8658
Web: www.tsiny.org

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job placement and training
Job retention
Industry specific training

Comments

This program offers industry specific training in food service at "Arts and Carafes," the agency's consumer operated café.

Transportation

Bus
Q6,8,40,43,56,60 Sutphin Blvd & Jamaica Ave

Subway
E, J, Z Sutphin Blvd

Supported Employment

147-32 Jamaica Avenue
Jamaica, NY 11435
Phone:(718) 526-8400
Fax:(718) 297-8658
Web: www.tsiny.org

Approach

Individual Employment with Supports

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

VESID eligibility is required for some services.

Transportation

Bus
Q6,8,40,43,56,60 Sutphin Blvd & Jamaica Ave

Subway
E, J, Z Sutphin Blvd

TRANSITIONAL SERVICES INC. (TSI):

VETAP

147-32 Jamaica Avenue
Jamaica, NY 11435
Phone:(718) 526-8400
Fax:(718) 297-8658
Web: www.tsiny.org

Approach

Prevocational Program

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education and Career Development
Industry specific training

Job types offered

Supported Employment

Comments

This is a Work Adjustment Training (WAT) program.

Transportation

Bus
Q6,8,40,43,56,60 Sutphin Blvd & Jamaica Ave

Subway
E, J, Z Sutphin Blvd

Venture House

150-10 Hillside Avenue
Jamaica, NY 11432
Phone:(718) 658-7201
Fax:(718) 658-7899
Web: www.venturehouse.org

Approach

Clubhouse

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Comments

Computer training is available.

Transportation

Bus
Q43 150 St and Hillside Ave

Subway
F Parsons Blvd

Staten Island

COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT SERVICES:

Special Tees

250 Buel Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10305
Phone:(718) 980-0987
Fax:(718) 980-1064

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job placement and training
Job retention
Industry specific training

Comments

This program offers industry specific training in graphic design and silk screening of custom T-shirts. Other areas of training include shipping, packaging and preparation, wholesale and retail sales.

Transportation

Bus
S78, 79 Hylan Blvd

Sky Light Center

307 St. Marks Place
Staten Island, NY 10301
Phone:(718) 720-2585
Fax:(718) 720-2601
Web: www.skylightcenter.org

Approach

Clubhouse

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job development
Job placement and training
Job retention
Benefits assistance
Education & career development

Job types offered

Supported Employment
Transitional Employment

Comments

Assistance with attaining educational goals is also provided.

Transportation

Subway
Staten Island St. George

STATEN ISLAND MENTAL HEALTH SOCIETY

SafeTY.net Youth Achieving Independence

6581 Hylan Boulevard
Staten Island, NY 10309
Phone:(718) 984-6218
Fax:(718) 984-4752
Web: www.simhs.org

Approach

Individual employment with supports

Services

Assessment
Job development
Job placement
Job retention
Benefits assistance

Job types offered

Internships
Supported Employment
Volunteer

Comments

This program provides supports for transition aged youth focused on achieving community living, vocational, educational, and housing goals. Individual life coaching is provided to all clients.

Transportation

Bus:
S59, 78 Hylan Blvd and Cunningham Rd.

Subway:
Staten Island Pleasant Plains

ST. VINCENT'S:

Rainbow Bright & Rainbow Recycling

75 Vanderbilt, 5th Floor
Staten Island, NY 10304
Phone:(718) 818-5055
Fax:(718) 818-5056
Web: www.svcmc.org

Approach

Working Among Consumers

Services

Assessment
Pre-vocational training
Job placement and training
Job retention
Industry specific training

Comments

Rainbow Bright offers industry specific training in cleaning and maintenance, and Rainbow Recycling offers training in the area of waste management. Both programs offer competitive employment.

Transportation

Bus
S52,78 Tompkins Ave
S76 Vanderbilt Ave

Subway
Staten Island Clifton