

County offers hand to young job seeker

Federally funded programs to help young adults get paid work experience are offered by the Workforce Development Department of San Bernardino County.

The WIA and @LIKE programs will provide the following services to eligible youth, ages 18 to 24:

Costs to complete General Educational Development (GED) and/or vocational training, appropriate clothing for interview and work, paid work experience, job shadowing, internships, free resume and interview training, one-on-one mentoring for a minimum of 18 months, "life" coaching, goal setting, assistance applying for community college, vocational training and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, as well as other services.

Eligible young adults are those who have dropped out of high school or are a fifth-year senior working to complete school courses or requirements. They may have one or more of the following barriers:

- not working or in school for 90 days
- parenting or pregnant
- youth offender
- veteran recently separated from the military
- foster youth
- homeless or unaccompanied youth
- child of incarcerated parent
- basic skills deficit
- gang affiliated youth
- youth with history of substance abuse.

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