

**NEW YORK CITY SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM** 

# **2011 Annual Summary**



### **About SYEP**

#### o Goals

- Introduce and prepare youth for the world of work
- Reduce youth unemployment during summer months
- Provide supplemental income to families

#### o Program Structure

- Up to 7 weeks of paid work and education experience
- Federal minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour
- Open to all NYC residents 14-24 years old
- Program Dates: July 5<sup>th</sup> through August 20<sup>th</sup>



## Recent Program History

0	2003	DYCD begins administering SYEP
0	2004	SYEP Online enrollment and timekeeping launched
		Debit card payment system introduced
		Educational component added to program
0	2006	Online participant application system launched
		Partnerships with local banks to provide fee-free ATM cards
0	2009	Specialized services for vulnerable youth added
		Online worksite application system launched
0	2010	Free checking accounts offered to participants 18+
		Private sector donations add over 1,500 jobs
0	2011	Upgraded web-based Youth Employment Program System (YEPS)
		Implementation of wireless worksite assessments by DYCD Staff



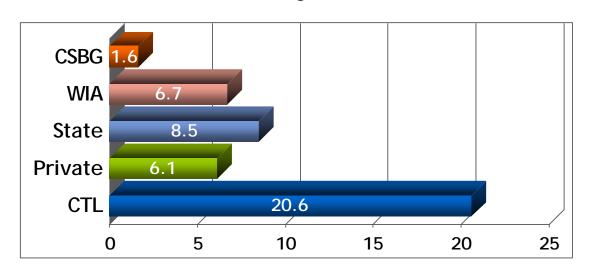
## 2011 Facts and Figures

\$43.5m	Funding Committed to Program
131,119	Applications Submitted
124,447	Online Applications
30,628	Participants Enrolled
5,732	SYEP Worksites Developed



### **Funding Sources**

#### Funding in \$m



#### **Total Funding for 2011:**

\$43.5m

#### Abbreviations:

CTL City Tax Levy

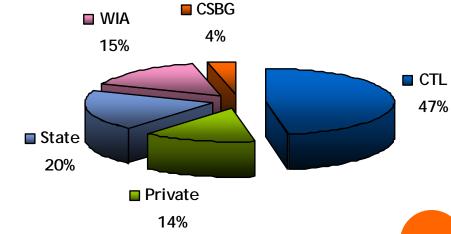
State New York State

WIA Workforce Investment Act

CSBG Community Services Block Grant

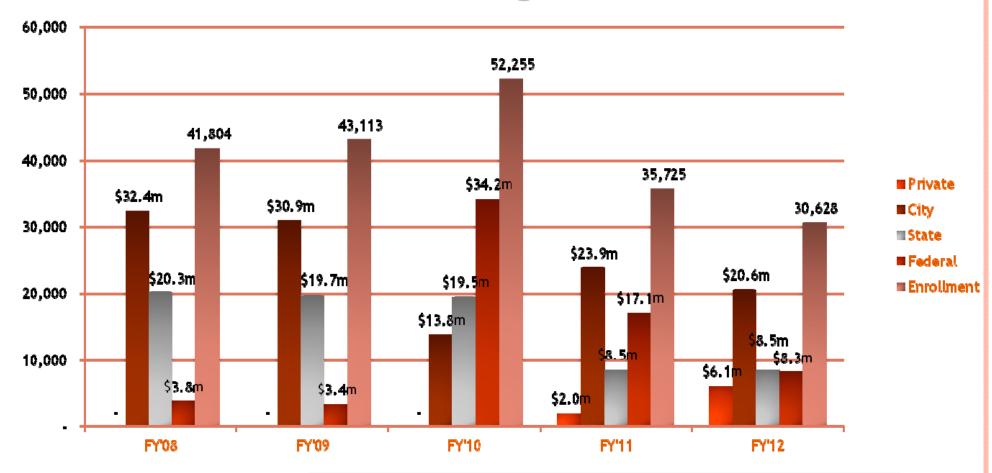
Private Donations through the Mayor's Fund to

Advance New York City





## NYC SYEP Funding & Enrollment





	FY'08	FY'09	FY'10	FY'11	FY′12
Total \$	\$56.5m	\$54.0m	\$67.5m	\$51.5m	\$43.5
Enrollment	41,804	43,113	52,255	35,725	30,628
Min Wage	\$7.15	\$7.15	\$7.25	\$7.25	\$7.25

Alianza Dominicana

Aspira of New York

Children's Arts & Science Workshops

**Bronxworks** 

Community Association for Progressive Dominicans

Kips Bay Boys and Girls Club

Mosholu Montefiore Community Center

New York City Housing Authority

Phipps Community Development

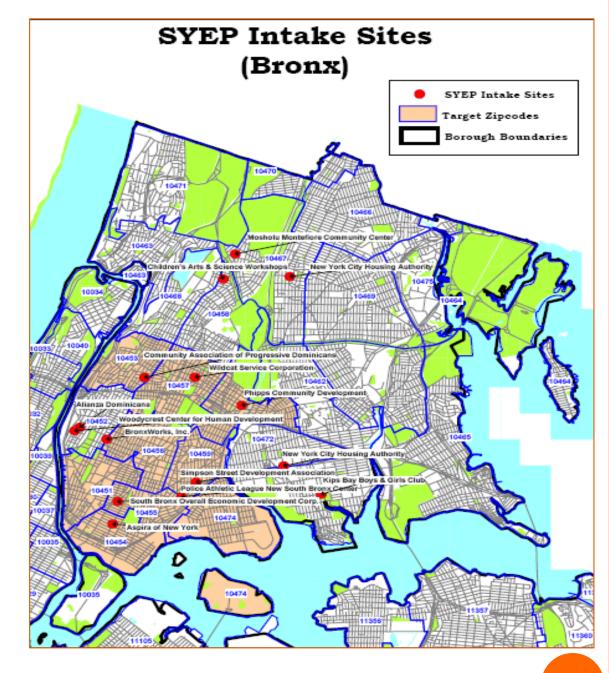
Police Athletic League

**Simpson Street Development Association** 

SoBro Overall Economic Development Corporation

Willdcat Service Center

Woodycrest Center for Human Development





Brooklyn Neighborhood Improvement Association

**CAMBA** 

Catholic Charities Neighborhood Services, Inc.

**Chinese-American Planning Council** 

Colony South Brooklyn Houses

**Community Counseling and Mediation** 

Council of Jewish Organizations of Flatbush

Cypress Hills Local Development Corporation

East New York Development Corporation

Edith & Carl Marks Jewish Community House of Bensonhurst

**Henry Street Settlement** 

Italian-American Civil Rights League

National Society for Hebrew Day School

**New York City Housing Authority** 

Police Athletic League

Research Foundation at Medgar Evers College

Ridgewood-Bushwick Senior Citizens Council

SCO Family of Services - Center for Family Life

St. Mary's Community Services





St. Nicholas Neighborhood Preservation Corporation Seasame Flyers International Vanguard Urban Improvement Association Alianza Dominicana

The Children's Aid Society

Children's Arts and Sciences Workshop

Chinatown Manpower Project

Chinese-American Planning Council

Community Association of Progressive Dominicans

East Harlem Council for Community Improvement

**East Harlem Employment Services** 

**Ecumenical Community Development** 

El Barrio's Operation Fight Back, Inc.

Harlem Commonwealth Council

Henry Street Settlement

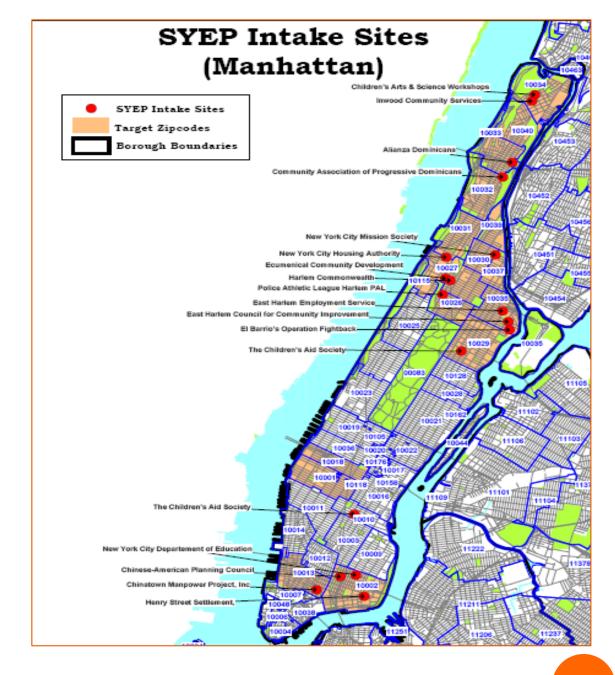
**Inwood Community Services** 

New York City Department of Education

New York City Housing Authority

**New York City Mission Society** 

Police Athletic League





Chinese-American Planning Council

Goodwill Industries of Greater New York and New Jersey

**Greater Ridgewood Youth Council** 

**HANAC Youth Services** 

**Henry Street Settlement** 

Jacob A. Riis Neighborhood Settlement

Police Athletic League

**Queens Community House** 

Research Foundation at LaGuardia Community College

Rockaway Development and Revitalization Corporation

Southern Queens Parks Association





#### **United Activities Unlimited**



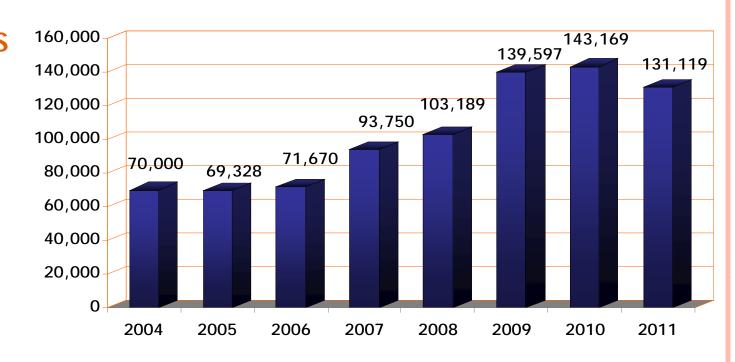


### **Applications**

o 131,119
applications
received in
2011

o Over 95% submitted online

#### **Applications Received**



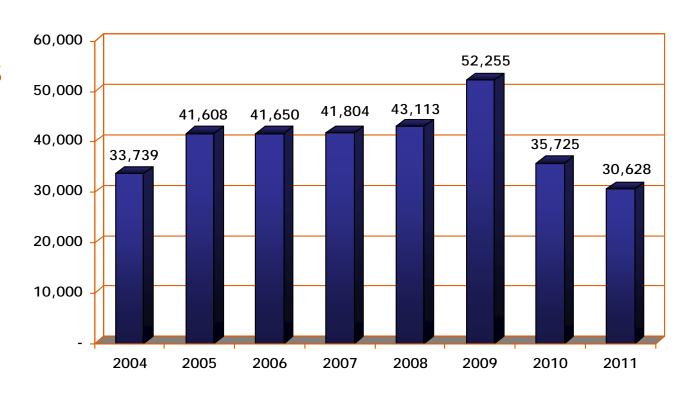


### **Enrollment**

#### **Participants Enrolled**

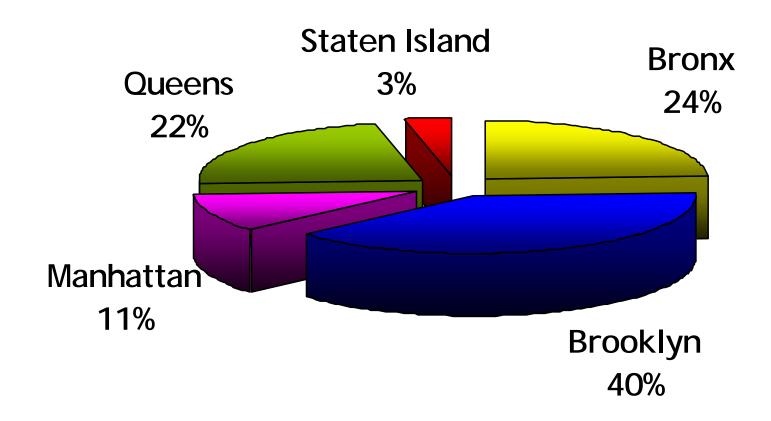
o 30,628 participants enrolled in 2011

o 23.4% of applicants accepted



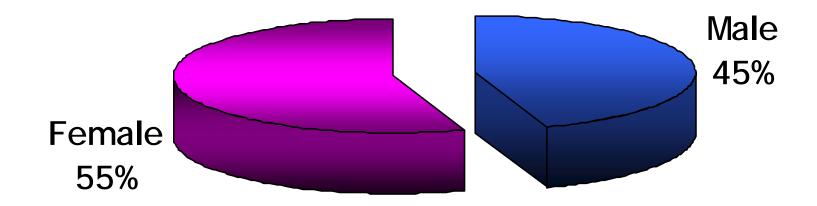


### **Enrollment by Borough**



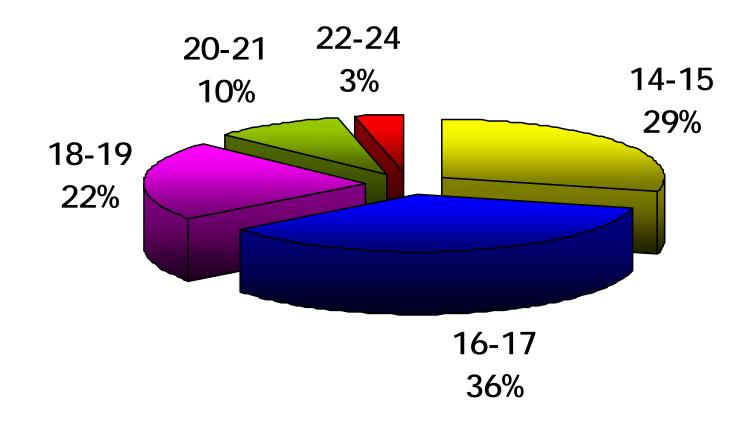


## **Enrollment by Gender**



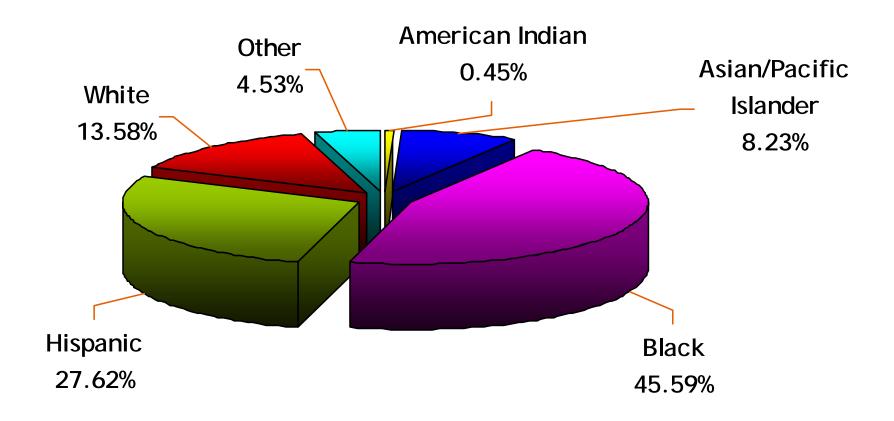


### **Enrollment by Age**





## **Enrollment by Ethnicity**





### Serving Vulnerable Youth

- o Four SYEP Programs allocated slots to serve vulnerable youth
  - Foster Care
  - Runaway/Homeless
  - Court-involved

#### o Organizations include:

- Harlem Commonwealth
- Henry Street Settlement
- Police Athletic League
- Vannguard Urban Improvement Association
- o 600 vulnerable youth enrolled



## Serving Youth with Disabilities

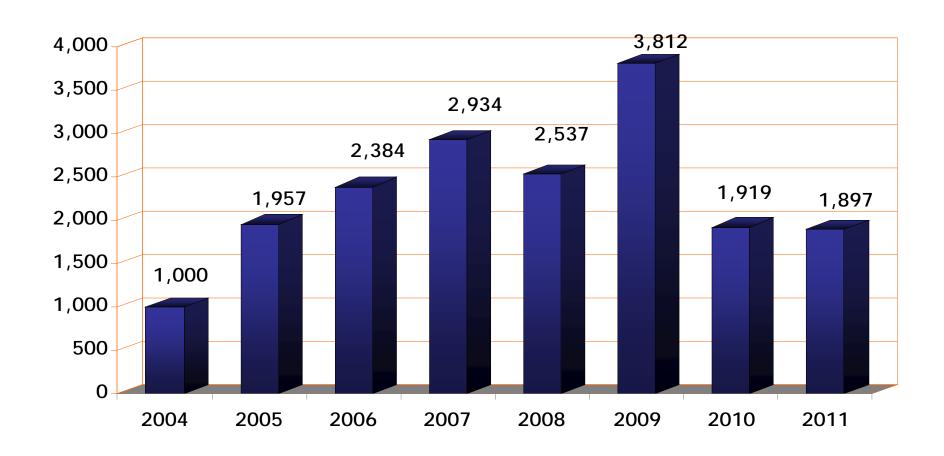
o Providers are allocated slots to serve youth with disabilities

Separate lottery competition

 Youth were employed throughout the five boroughs in hospitals, nursing homes, schools, community centers and small businesses where they performed clerical work and were apprenticed in trade skills



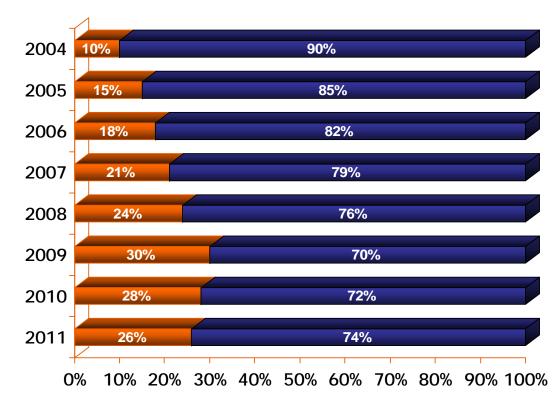
### Youth with Disabilities Enrolled





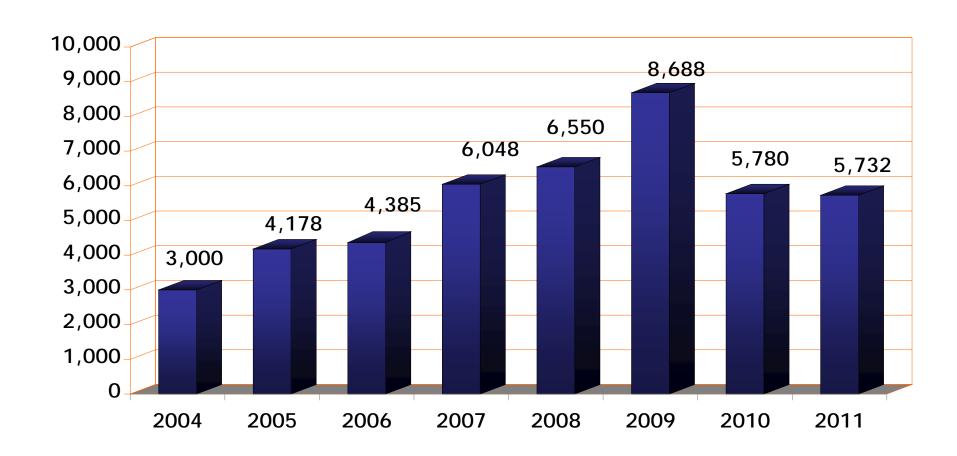
### **Private Sector Worksites**

- RFP encouraged contractors to seek private sector placements
- 26% of worksites were in the private sector including placements at:
  - A & E Stores
  - Aloft Hotel
  - Barnes & Noble
  - Best Buy
  - CVS Pharmacies
  - JC Penney's
  - Marshall's
  - New York Community Bank
  - Staples
  - Walgreen's
  - Small businesses including doctors offices, law firms, architecture & engineering firms and privately-owned retail businesses



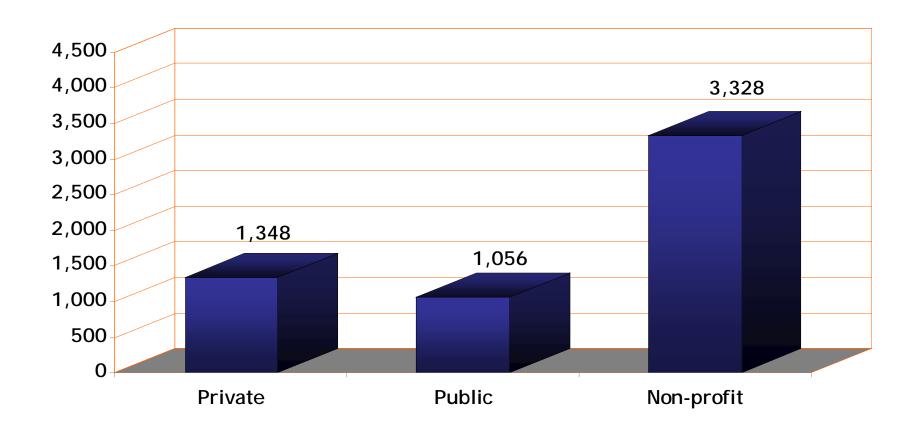


### **Total Worksites**



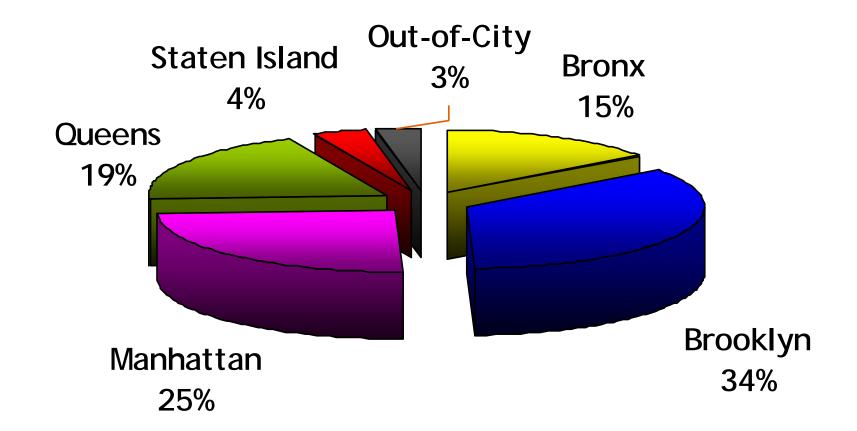


### Worksite Sector Breakdown





## Worksites by Borough





## Types of Worksites

Category	# of Worksites	% of Total	
Day Care/Day Camp	2,631	45.90%	
Government Agency	776	13.54%	
Community/Social Service	565	9.86%	
<b>Educational Services</b>	552	9.63%	
Media/Entertainment	399	6.96%	
Healthcare/Medical	375	6.54%	
Arts and Recreation	127	2.22%	
Other	83	1.45%	
Financial Services	81	1.41%	
Manufacturing	70	1.22%	
Hospitality/Tourism	49	0.85%	
Legal Services	24	0.42%	

5,732



### **Educational Component**

- At least 17 hours are dedicated to education and training on topics such as:
  - Work Readiness
  - Financial Literacy
  - Career Exploration
  - Post-secondary Education Options
  - Health Education
- DYCD provided a standardized curriculum & facilitator training



## Pay Card System

- 4 Bank and ATM networks provided fee-free ATM transactions, including:
  - Citibank
  - HSBC
  - TD Bank
  - Allpoint











- o Participants provided with access to:
  - Visa branded card with fee-free store transactions
  - Pay card usage instruction materials
  - Online card activity information
  - End-of-program earnings statement





## **Payroll Stats**

Payroll	Gross Payroll
July 22 <sup>nd</sup>	\$7.9m
August 5 <sup>th</sup>	\$9.1m
August 19 <sup>th</sup>	\$9.2m
September 2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$4.5m
Supplemental Payrolls*	\$0.1m
Total	\$31m



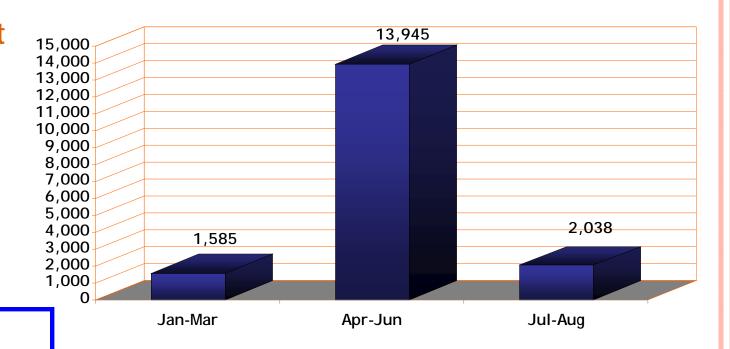
## Program Transparency

- E-mail confirmations, reminders & selection notices to youth who applied online
- Ability to check lottery status, hours worked and pay history from DYCD website
- o Online pay card videos & printed instructions on how to access pay
- All participants are emailed and mailed earnings statements in September
- W-2s mailed to participants in January



### **Youth Connect Calls**

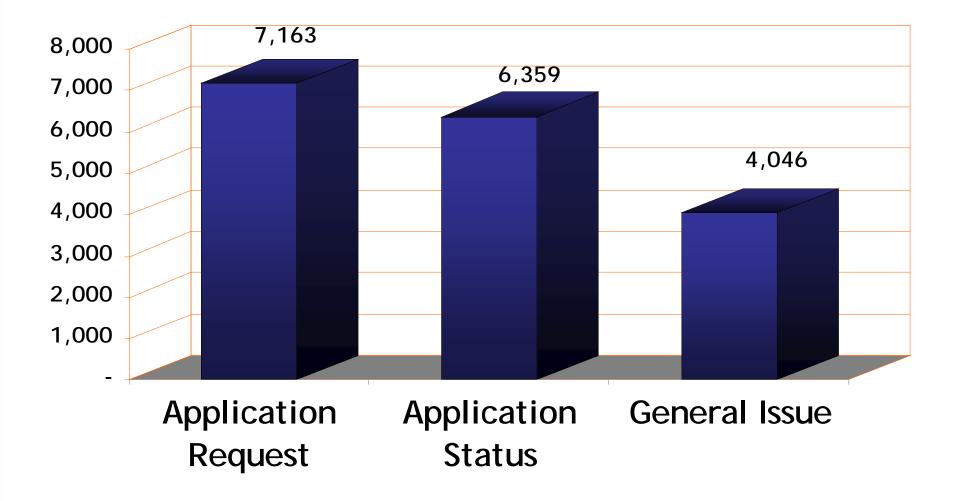
o Youth Connect received 17,568 calls regarding SYEP from January to August



Youth Connect 1-800-246-4646



### Youth Connect Calls





### Working with Our Providers

- Monthly program meetings with all providers
- Provider Staff Training
  - Worksite Development & Management
  - Education Workshop Facilitation
  - SYEP Online Enrollment System
  - Payroll training
  - Technical Assistance Reviews
- Resources made available to providers include:
  - Resources
  - Human Resources Administration, Teen Pregnancy Prevention
  - Mayor's Office to Combat Domestic Violence
  - NYC Department of Education, Gang Prevention and Intervention
  - NYC Department of Education, School Food
  - Workforce Professionals Training Institute (WPTI)
  - Placement Opportunities facilitated by DYCD
  - CVS Pharmacies
  - NYC Parks Department
  - New York Community Bank
  - Walgreens



## Participant Survey

- 77% would not have a job without SYEP
- o Most popular use of SYEP earnings:
  - Clothes
  - Food
  - Savings
  - Household Expenses
- o Most important lessons learned from SYEP:
  - Getting along with supervisor & co-workers
  - Job skills
  - Budgeting earnings
- 97% rated SYEP experience 'Excellent' or 'Good' & indicated that they benefited from SYEP



### In Their Words

"SYEP offered me job training, an opportunity to build my professional network, and introduced me to the demands of the real word."

Fahmida, 21 Staten Island

"SYEP helped me build my resume while getting hands on experience in different work fields such as healthcare and administrative management."

Alexandria, 20 Bronx

"SYEP gave me the opportunity to earn money while enhancing my skills. I've gained confidence in my abilities and capacity to carry out daily tasks."

Rachel, 14
Queens

"I like kids, so I was happy to work at a summer camp. I learned responsibility, leadership, and patience."

Liana, 16 Manhattan



## **Annual Program Timeline**

- •Revisions to application and forms
- Systems testing
- Monthly meetings with contractors
- Budget & work scope development
- Worksite development

Program Planning
January to March

Application
and Worksite
Development
April to June



- 2 Supplemental payrolls
- ■TANF eligibility reviews
- ■Closeout visits
- Feedback from contractors
- Contractor evaluations





- Distribution of SYEP application
- Availability of online application system
- •Worksite review and approval process
- Commitment of program funding
- Application lottery
- Enrollment & placement of selected participants

**Program Phase** 

July to August

- Up to 7 weeks of work for participants
- Educational component provided to participants
- •Monitoring of contractors & worksites
- 4 bi-weekly payrolls

