

APPENDIX B—DYCD-FUNDED PROGRAMS

Through the app, discoverDYCD, users can search for DYCD-funded providers by program type, borough, neighborhood, or zip code. It provides contact information, lists of activities offered, and a mapping feature with navigation. Categories of services include COMPASS Afterschool, Family Support, Immigrant Services, Jobs and Internships, Reading and Writing, Runaway and Homeless Youth, and Summer Programs.

Adolescent Literacy

Adolescent Literacy programs use a range of educational approaches to help struggling sixth, seventh, and eighth graders develop their reading, writing, and oral communication skills in an afterschool setting. Strategies range from traditional direct instruction techniques to embedding literacy instruction within contexts such as technology and drama to engage youth. Program staff works closely with school leadership to identify youth whose reading test scores and teacher observations demonstrate a need for academic intervention.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$915,128

6 providers

Enrollment: 179

Adult Literacy

Programs provide comprehensive instructional and support services to students who are at least 16 years of age, not enrolled or required to be enrolled in secondary school, and who lack sufficient mastery of basic educational skills or are unable to speak, read, or write the English language well enough to participate in education or training programs conducted in English. Adult Basic Education (ABE) programs provide instruction in reading, writing, and mathematics to native English or English-fluent speakers. High School Equivalency (HSE) programs prepare students for the tests required for an HSE credential. English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes help students to improve their English language communication skills.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$5.9 million

57 contracts

Enrollment: 6,688

Beacon Community Centers

Beacon programs are collaborative, school-based community centers designed to provide quality services to youth and adults after school, in the evenings, and on weekends. Beacon programs provide services in the following core areas:

Academic enhancement: Activities may include tutoring, homework assistance, STEM-related projects, and reading clubs.

Life Skills: Activities are designed to increase personal responsibility, self-esteem, and confidence.

Career Awareness/School Transition: Activities include career exploration workshops and assistance with transitioning from middle school to high school.

Civic Engagement/Community Building: Activities are designed to strengthen leadership skills and civic responsibility.

Recreation/Health and Fitness: Activities are designed to promote healthy lifestyles.

Culture/Art: Activities provide students with opportunities to express themselves through music, dance, and drama.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$37.5 million

44 providers, 80 sites

Enrollment: 86,100

Comprehensive Afterschool System of New York City (COMPASS)

COMPASS comprises over 875 programs serving young people in grades K-12. COMPASS offers a balance of academics, recreation, enrichment, and cultural activities to support and strengthen the overall development of youth.

COMPASS elementary programs strive to integrate literacy into all instruction and offer homework help, basic arts instruction, physical activity, and nutritional instruction.

The COMPASS middle school model, also known as SONYC for School's Out NYC, is structured like clubs, provides instruction in sports and arts, and builds youth leadership through service.

The COMPASS Transition to High School program is designed to help incoming ninth graders navigate their new surroundings and matriculate to tenth grade. The model offers academic, social, and emotional supports and advocacy within the school community.

COMPASS Explore serves all levels and includes single-focus programs as varied as preparation for legal careers to boat building.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$309.3 million

205 providers, 875 contracts

Enrollment: 94,356

Cornerstone Community Centers

Programs provide activities year-round for youth and adults at 94 New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) Centers throughout the five boroughs. Typical youth activities include academics such as homework help, STEM activities, and high school and college prep; community engagement activities such as community beautification and mentoring; arts activities including dance, music, and photography; and healthy living activities through sports and workshops. Typical adult activities include HSE and ESOL instruction, workforce development, cultural

activities, parenting skills and family relationships workshops, tenant education and advocacy, and intergenerational programming.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$45.12 million

94 sites

Enrollment: 18,369

Discretionary Programs

Discretionary programs are City Council-funded programs which provide a broad range of program services, including afterschool, social service entitlement programs, food pantries, and others.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$41,641,113

1262 contracts

Fatherhood Initiative

The Fatherhood Initiative helps fathers reconnect with their children and develop essential parenting skills by helping them (1) increase engagement and responsibility in relationship with their children and (2) provide material and financial support to their children. There are three program options: young fathers aged 16-24 years, fathers aged over 24 years, and fathers with prior involvement in the criminal justice system. Service plans address five core areas: parenting skills development, effective co-parenting, employment/education, child support, and child visitation/placement. Participants engage in up to six months of case management with follow-up services as needed for up to one year.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$2,9 million

8 providers, 10 contracts

Enrollment: 1,200 fathers

Immigrant Families

Programs for immigrant families are open to immigrant families that have English Language Learners in grades 5-12 in New York City public and private schools. Programs aim to foster immigrant parents' involvement in their children's education and assist them with acquiring the knowledge and accessing the resources that will enable them to help their children succeed in school. Programs provide case management and workshops on a variety of topics related to the educational system.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$1.65 million

4 providers

Enrollment: 529

In-School Youth Program (ISY)

The ISY program is designed to help high school juniors and seniors graduate from high school and prepare for employment or postsecondary education through a combination of academic support, career exploration activities, and work readiness training including paid summer internships. Participants receive up to two years of services and a year of follow-up. ISY is funded through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and must meet federal and State performance standards for placement and degree/certificate attainment.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$5.2 million

23 providers, 27 contracts

Enrollment: 1,848

Neighborhood Development Area (NDA)

As the designated Community Action Agency for New York City, DYCD administers the federal Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) program to combat poverty and provide services to low-income City residents. DYCD targets funds to low-income communities it designates as Neighborhood Development Areas (NDAs). The NDA initiative fosters community engagement to ensure that services address the most pressing needs of each community. The following distinct service areas are funded:

Adult Literacy assists adults to obtain the skills needed for employment and self-sufficiency. Adult Basic Education programs provide instruction in reading, writing, and mathematics for students reading below the 9.0 grade level. High School Equivalency exam preparation classes are for students reading at or above the 9.0 grade level who do not have high school diplomas.

Educational Support: High School Youth encourages high school youth to build academic skills and stay in school to attain diplomas. Programs include youth leadership development and help students gain skills to support their success in college, training programs, or jobs.

Healthy Families supports families, using a strengths-based approach. Programs help participants enroll in benefits programs and obtain other services including childcare, child support, parenting skills, employment, education, housing, health and nutrition, and physical and mental well-being.

Housing provides advocacy and assistance to low-income tenants and home owners to help them maintain adequate, affordable, and safe housing. Programs provide information and advocacy on tenants' rights, housing support programs, foreclosure prevention, and predatory lending practices.

Immigrant programs assist immigrant New Yorkers to access a variety of services, including social services, health care, education and employment, and legal assistance with matters related to citizenship and immigration status.

Opportunity Youth: Supported Work Experience provides young people aged 16-24 who are not in school and not working with work readiness training, counseling, and paid short-term work experience in jobs that match youths' interests and provide opportunities for career exploration.

Senior programs target New Yorkers aged 60 and older and provide a variety of support programs, including social and recreational activities, exercise and nutrition, medical assistance, and community services.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$15.6 million

89 providers, 194 contracts

Enrollment: 17,000

Out-of-School Youth Program (OSY)

Funded through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), OSY programs offer hard skills training for growing industries to youth aged 16-24 who are not working and not in school. Programs also offer HSE and basic skills instruction, work readiness, career exploration, case management, and supportive services. WIOA youth programs must meet federal and State performance standards for placement and credential attainment.

2015 Annual Budget: \$15.5 million

13 providers, 22 contracts

Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY) Services

RHY services are designed to protect runaway and homeless youth and, whenever possible, reunite them with their families. Services include borough-based drop-in centers, crisis shelters with 226 DYCD-funded beds, transitional independent living (TIL) programs with 227 DYCD-funded beds, and street outreach services.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$21,883,012

15 providers, 32 contracts

30 sites (7 crisis shelters, 16 TILs, 7 drop-in centers)

Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)

SYEP provides New York City youth aged 14-24 with paid summer employment for up to six weeks in July and August. Participants work in a variety of entry-level jobs in the nonprofit and private sectors. SYEP also provides workshops on job readiness, career exploration, and financial literacy. Service options include:

Younger youth (ages 14-15): Borough-based services that include community service and service learning work experiences. Participants work a total of 20 hours per week, including five hours of educational programming and group reflection.

Older youth (ages 16-24): Borough-based services of 25 hours of paid work experience per week. Participants also attend an intensive educational program orientation.

Vulnerable youth (ages 14-24): Citywide services for special populations including court-involved, foster care, runaway and homeless, and youth in families receiving preventative services from the Administration for Children's Services (ACS). Participants work 25 hours per week and attend an intensive educational program orientation.

Ladders for Leaders (ages 16-24): Citywide services for students with previous work experiences. Participants attend up to 30 hours of pre-employment workshops and work a minimum of 25 hours per week. Participant wages are paid by employers or through private funds.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$51.6 million

50 providers, 98 contracts

Enrollment: 47,126

Teen ACTION (Achieving Change Together in Our Neighborhoods)

Teen ACTION is a service learning program for youth in grades six through twelve. Program sites complete two civic engagement projects each year that touch upon current events within their communities or focus on specific themes.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$850,000

50 program sites

Enrollment: 2,000

Young Adult Internship Program (YAIP)

YAIP is a workforce development program for youth aged 16-24 who are not working and not in school. The program operates three 14-week long cohorts each year. Participants spend 25 hours per week in paid internships and professional development workshops. Case management and support services are also provided.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$11.6 million

14 providers, 17 sites

Enrollment: 1,795

Young Adult Literacy Program (YALP)

The Young Adult Literacy Program is designed for opportunity youth aged of 16-24 years who read at the fourth to eighth grade level. Participants receive pre-HSE basic skills instruction complemented by comprehensive support services, with the goal of improving students' reading, writing, and mathematics skills so they can enroll in HSE tests preparation. A key program element is a paid internship for students who maintain a minimum 70 percent average attendance rate, which helps programs retain students and offers students opportunities to participate in a range of community service projects.

Program Facts

2015 Annual Budget: \$3 million

9 providers, 16 sites

Enrollment: 800