

PREP

YSS offers support and skill-building programs tailored to empower youth and young adults.

The Postsecondary Retention & Employment Program (PREP) equips young individuals with the tools and guidance for academic and professional success.

Each participant is paired with a career planner who creates a personalized plan based on their strengths, interests, education, and goals.

PREP is designed for participants aged 14-24 facing various life challenges such as:

- Financial hardships
- Involvement in foster care
- Legal issues (previous or ongoing)
- Pregnancy or parenting responsibilities
- Below-grade-level reading and math skills
- Unemployment or underemployment

The program offers a variety of opportunities, including:

- + Resume creation and job acquisition skills
- + Work experience, job shadowing, internships, and apprenticeships (paid and unpaid)
- + Training in study skills, educational support, and dropout prevention
- + Exploration of college and vocational training options
- + Education in entrepreneurial and financial literacy skills
- + One year of support following the attainment of goals

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