

YOUTHBUILD PROGRAM



Based on the 35-year national model, YouthBuild unleashes the positive energy of youth to rebuild their communities and their lives, breaking the cycle of poverty with a commitment to work, education, family, and community. YouthBuild combines education, job training, intensive wrap-around supports, mentoring, and leadership development to out-of-school and unemployed youth through distinct pathways in two high-demand industries: construction and healthcare.

Career Pathways



Construction

- Industry recognized vocational training certifications- OSHA10, PACT
- Paired with experienced journeymen for specialized instruction
- Curriculum based on certification standards, job site needs and input from Colorado Joint Apprenticeship Training Council
- Build affordable housing units in partnership with the Denver Housing Authority and other local nonprofits



Health & Wellness

- Earn a Certificate of Nurse Aide through Community College of Denver
- Curriculum approved by the Colorado State Board of Nursing
- 120 hours of training- including 90 hours of hands-on learning and 30 hours of clinical experience
- Connected with skilled healthcare professionals



TRIPLE-INVEST IN THE FUTURE.

YOUTH, COMMUNITY, AND ENVIRONMENT.

FROM OUR ALUMNI

“This program will change your outlook on your life and future. You will learn to be a leader and a better person. It teaches you how to build strong relationships and it provides you with real job skills.”

- Kaylei, YouthBuild Alumna 2017



YouthBuild Creates Change

Programs like YouthBuild disrupt what is sometimes known as the “school-to-prison pipeline.” The power of education to transform life-long earning capacity and employment is a key component to MHYC’s mission and success.



Corpsmembers gain valuable skills and certifications that prepare them for careers in construction and healthcare.

A peer-reviewed 2015 study by Cohen and Piquero concluded that YouthBuild programs yielded a return on investment ranging from \$7.20 to \$11.70 for every dollar spent on YouthBuild.

YouthBuild works with partner agencies across the community to help support and enhance programs.

Partners include:

- Community College of Denver
- Denver Housing Authority
- Brothers Redevelopment
- Food Bank of the Rockies
- Denver Health
- YouthBuild USA

EMPLOYER ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Employer Advisory Council (EAC) is a forum that directly connects MHYC with representatives from the private sector, and helps to ensure we are meeting workforce demands. The EAC provides input in program development, provides hard and soft skill training, mentorship and access to post program placement.

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