Detroit Summer Youth Employment Program 2012
Exit Survey Results—Cody Rouge

Figure 1: What neighborhood do you live in?

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Good Neighborhoods Technical Assistance Center
Figure 2: What was your job with the Detroit Summer Youth Employment Program? Check the one answer that best applies.

- Worked with youth for a community organization/non-profit/church/day: 62%
- Office work: 3%
- Arts, gardening, building or outdoor maintenance: 27%
- Sales or retail, including food service: 5%
- Worked for a business: 3%
Figure 3: What are the most important job skills you learned from the Detroit Summer Youth Employment Program? Check up to 3 answers.

- Working with others as a team: 70.3%
- Communicating with others: 45.9%
- Computer skills: 30.8%
- Problem Solving: 29.7%
- Public Speaking: 26.6%
- Accepting supervision (help): 21.6%
- Money management skills: 16.2%
- How to be organized, manage time: 16.2%
- How to act at work (be on time, dress appropriately): 16.2%
- Other: 16.2%

*Note: Percentages are approximate and may not sum to 100% due to rounding.*
Figure 4: How did the Detroit Summer Youth Employment Program help you prepare for future employment? Check all answers that apply.

- Helped me decide what kind of jobs I like: 62.2%
- Showed me how to search & apply for jobs: 21.6%
- Helped me create a resume: 21.6%
- Prepared me for a job interview: 16.2%
- Helped me understand what qualifications I need for my dream job/career: 54.1%
- Did not help me prepare for employment: 10.8%
- Other:
Figure 5: How did the Detroit Summer Youth Employment Program help you academically?  
Check all that apply.

- Helped me strengthen my reading/writing skills: 45.9%
- Helped me strengthen my math skills: 24.3%
- Helped me strengthen problem solving and critical thinking skills: 24.3%
- Connected me to higher education or educational resources: 56.8%
- Helped me decide to stay in school:
- Strengthened my management & organizational skills:
- Other: 2.7%
Figure 6: To what extent has the Detroit Summer Youth Employment Program changed your ideas about your future?
Figure 7: If your ideas about your future have changed because of the program, how have they changed? Check all answers that apply.

- I was thinking about quitting school but now I think I can stay in school [40.5%]
- I now think I can reach a higher level of education [45.9%]
- I now think I can get a better job [16.2%]
- I am now interested in a different type of job [18.9%]
- I now have more confidence about whatever I do [18.9%]
- I now plan to do more community service and volunteer work [18.9%]
- I now think I will be a leader in my community [18.9%]
- Other [2.7%]
Figure 8: What do you think you would have been doing if you were not working with the Detroit Summer Youth Employment Program? Check one.

- Looking for another job: 36%
- Working somewhere else: 16%
- Hanging out with friends: 12%
- Staying at home: 8%
- Recreational Activities/Sports: 8%
- Other: 20%
Figure 9: Did you identify a mentor that you plan to keep in contact with after the Detroit Summer Youth Employment Program ends?
Figure 10: Have you worked for pay in the past?

Yes 81%
No 19%
Figure 11: If yes, what type of work did you do before participating in the Detroit Summer Youth Employment Program? Check all that apply.

- Working with a family member
- Trade (i.e., construction, electrical)
- Food service or retail (grocery, restaurant, shop)
- Babysitting & day care
- Arts
- Office work/Administrative assistant
- Community program
- Church program
- Landscaping and outdoor work
- Hair and beauty salon
- Tutoring
- Other
Figure 12: What grade will you be in at school in September 2012?

- 8th: 3%
- 9th: 2%
- 10th: 3%
- 11th: 38%
- 12th: 24%
- 1st Year college: 19%
- Continuing in college: 11%
- Will not be in school: 3%
Figure 13: What grades do/did you usually get in school?
Figure 14: How much further do you expect to go in school? Check only one answer.

- Graduate from high school: 44%
- Obtain a GED: 3%
- Attend a technical or vocational school or program: 5%
- Attend a two-year junior or community college: 6%
- Attend a four-year college: 14%
- Attend graduate or professional school or college: 28%
Figure 15: Do you feel the Detroit Summer Youth Employment Program improved your outlook on education?

- Yes: 83%
- No: 17%
Figure 16: If so, how much?

- Not at all: 35%
- Not much at all: 6%
- Somewhat: 3%
- A lot: 56%
Figure 17: Do you expect to still live in Michigan by age 25?

- Yes, definitely: 43%
- Probably not: 16%
- Maybe, depends: 14%
- No: 27%
Figure 18: Do you have a bank account in your name? Check only one.

- Yes, I have a checking account (60%)
- Yes, I have a savings account (16%)
- Yes, I have both a checking and savings account (19%)
- No, I do not have a bank account (5%)
Figure 19: In the past year, how often have you saved on a regular basis?

- Never: 2.7%
- Rarely: 13.5%
- Sometimes: 62.2%
- Almost Always: 21.6%
Figure 20: What did you do with the money you earned this summer? Check all answers that apply.

- Saved it for college
- Saved it for something I really needed
- Spent it on something I really needed
- Gave it to my family
- Spent it on my children
- Used it to pay off debt
- Used it to pay bills
- Spent it on something I want, but don't really need
- Other
Figure 21: On an average weekday, how many hours do you watch TV?

- 0 hours: 8%
- 1 hour: 22%
- 2 hours: 16%
- 3 hours: 32%
- 4 to 5 hours: 11%
- More than 5 hours: 11%
Figure 22: On an average weekday, how many hours do you play video games, computer games, or use the computer recreationally (such as My Space, Facebook, etc.)?
Figure 23: Are you actively involved in your neighborhood?

- Yes: 51%
- No: 49%
Figure 24: If so, how? Mark all that apply.

- Community Garden; Clean-Up: 27%
- Participate in youth activities: 27%
- Volunteer: 24.3%
- Advocacy: 16.2%
- Church activities/leadership: 16.2%
- Community Sports: 13.5%
- Help my neighbors: 8.1%
- Other: 5.4%
Figure 25: Age of Respondents

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14 15 16 17 18 19 20

Number of Respondents:
0 4 8 19 19 15 4
Figure 26: Zip Code
Figure 27: Gender of Respondents

- Male: 42%
- Female: 58%
Figure 28: Which best describes your ethnicity? Check the one answer that best applies.

- 97% Black/African American
- 3% Other