



New York City Fiscal Year 2009 Adopted Budget Summary

The Campaign for Tomorrow's Workforce (CTW) is a coalition of organizations and leaders committed to envisioning, championing, and building a system to solve the crisis of "disconnected" young adults aged 16 to 24 who are not in school nor engaged in work. The adopted City FY 2009 budget restored City Council funding to several initiatives that support efforts to build the skills of disconnected youth and prepare them to succeed in the future workforce. However, the funding levels were lower than in FY 2008 or years prior.

City Council Initiative	FY 2008	FY 2009
Adult Literacy Services Initiative These funds support 53 programs providing basic literacy, English and GED classes for immigrant and native-born New Yorkers seeking to improve their skills. With few other options, disconnected youth utilize the City's adult literacy programs to improve their literacy skills and earn a GED.	\$1.5 million	\$1 million
Workforce Development for Young Adults Working with the Department of Small Business Services, several providers have expanded their capacity to develop and place jobs for job-ready young adults who have improved their skills through existing disconnected youth programs. In addition to youth employment programs, these workforce development funds also support adult employment, microfinance, and post-incarceration programs.	\$3 million	\$1.5 million
Jobs to Build On (JtBO) Working in partnership with the Consortium for Worker Education, several providers have developed workforce development programs that target disconnected youth. While JtBO received an increase in funding compared to FY 2008, it is still below its original level from several years ago.	\$3 million	\$5 million

Mayor Bloomberg's Center for Economic Opportunity (CEO)

Several of the CEO's programs are targeted towards disconnected youth and were included in the Mayor's FY 2009 Executive FY budget that was released in May. All of these programs were approved by the City Council and included in the adopted FY 2009 budget as well.

Young Adult Internship Program

\$9.47 million

This program creates internships for 900 disconnected youth each year. Young adults obtain employment readiness workshops, counseling, and coaching, and are then matched with an internship that fits their interest and skill levels.

Young Adult Literacy Pilot Program

\$709,000

Four of the City's adult literacy services providers are implementing "Pre-GED" pilot programs that offer intensive basic literacy instruction and student supports for young adults with literacy levels below 8th grade. This is the first time that the City has allocated funding to Pre-GED programs.

Civic Justice Corps

\$4.463 million

A program for 275 court-involved youth ages 16-24, that combines paid work in community benefit projects and internships, mentoring, job placement and retention assistance, and connection to further education and/or training.

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