# St. Louis County Youth Interagency Partnership

### American Job Center/STL County

Phone: 314-381-6700 (North Oaks); 314-475-7900 (Seven Hills)

Web: jobs.mo.gov

American Job Center provides comprehensive career counseling and job search services to enhance the employment outcomes to job seekers. Key services provided include: Career Assessment and Planning; Skill Based Training; Workshops; and Recruitment Events, Job Fairs, Job Leads and Referrals.

Better Family Life Phone: 314-314-679-3376 Web: bflyouth.org

(Out of School Youth): Project R.E.S.P.E.C.T. – St. Louis County WIOA Older Youth Education and Employment Program: Serves youth between the ages of 16-24 by providing information, training, and resources necessary to be successful in their career or educational pathway towards self-sufficiency. Youth are either school dropouts or high school/GED graduates that are not employed. All youth must meet the classification of low income as determined by WIOA guidelines as directed by St. Louis County DHS/DWD and meet at least one of seven outlined barriers which are: Low income, deficient in basic literacy skills, school dropout, homeless, runaway, or foster child, pregnant or parenting, offender and clients who need assistance to complete education programs to secure employment.

Connections to Success Phone: 314-584-6702 Web: connectionstosuccess.org

Serving adults who are unemployed, underemployed, and/or with extensive barriers such as generational poverty and/or incarceration. Services include: Coaching; Connect Group; Employment Support; Employment Workshops; Mentoring; Personal and Professional Development Class; Successful STEPS; Transportation; Wheels to Success; Dress for Success; and Professional Women's Group.

#### DMH/Behavioral Health

### Web: dmh.mo.gov/mentalillness

The Division of Behavioral Health (DBH), formerly the Divisions of Alcohol and Drug Abuse and Comprehensive Psychiatric Services, is responsible for making sure prevention, evaluation, treatment, and rehabilitation services are available for individuals and families that need public mental health services throughout the State of Missouri. Community Mental Health Centers in the St. Louis Region include: Crider Center 800-574-2422 (Franklin, Lincoln, St. Charles, and Warren Counties); Comtrea Community Treatment 636-931-2700 (Jefferson County); BJC Behavioral Health Community Services 314-747-7491 (St. Louis County); and Amanda Luckett Murphy Hopewell Center 314-531-1770 (Central and North St. Louis City).

#### **DMH/Developmental Disabilities**

#### Phone: 314-877-2711

#### Web: dmh.mo.gov/dd

The Division of Developmental Disabilities (DD), established in 1974, serves a population that has developmental disabilities such as intellectual disabilities, cerebral palsy, head injuries, autism, epilepsy, and certain learning disabilities. Such conditions must have occurred before age 22, with the expectation that they will continue. To be eligible for services from the Division, persons with these disabilities must be substantially limited in their ability to function independently.

#### Division of Youth Services

#### Phone: 573-751-3324

#### Web: dss.mo.gov/dys

The Division of Youth Services (DYS) is the state agency charged with the care and treatment of delinquent youth committed to its custody by one of the 45 Missouri juvenile courts. DYS programs are established to provide the mandated services enumerated in Chapter 219.016 in the Revised Statutes of the state of Missouri. These services include assessment, care and treatment, and education of all youth committed to its care. Toward this end, DYS operates treatment programs ranging from non-residential day treatment centers through secure residential institutions. Additionally, DYS administers the Interstate Compact on Juveniles, operates an accredited school program, and maintains a statewide statistical database of juvenile court referrals.

# Rehabilitation Services for the Blind

#### Phone: 314-264-7601 (RSB North) 314-933-7311 (RSB South)

#### Web: http://dss.mo.gov/fsd/rsb

The mission is to create opportunities for eligible blind and visually impaired persons in order that they may attain personal and vocational success. Rehabilitation Services for the Blind (RSB) provides services to people with varying degrees of visual impairment, ranging from those who cannot read regular print to those who are totally blind.

#### St. Louis Job Corps Center

# Phone: 314-679-6200

#### Web: stlouis.jobcorps.gov

Job Corps is a no-cost education and career technical training program administered by the <u>U.S. Department of Labor</u> that helps young people ages 16 through 24 improve the quality of their lives through career technical and academic training. There is no age limit and are no income requirements for individuals with a disability. Programs include: *Bricklaying; Carpentry; Cement Masonry; Culinary Arts; Facilities Management; Material Handling and Distribution Operations; Nurse Assistant/Home Health Aide; Office Administration; Painting; Pharmacy Technician; Plastering; Security and Protective Services; Welding; and Advanced Transportation.* 

# St. Louis Youth Jobs

# Phone: 314-773-5100

# Web: stlyouthjobs.org

Youth are recruited from target neighborhoods where the program can make the greatest impact. Once a young person is identified, they receive assistance in articulating their dreams, interests, assets, and areas for greatest potential. They are paired with a job coach who is committed to their individual success, and where possible, they are matched with a job in their area of interest. Training and skills building are provided in the areas of: Financial Literacy; Essential Skills; and Job Readiness. Youth are connected with employment experiences (the program pays their salary). A Job Coach provides the initial assessment, works with both the youth and employer throughout the duration of the program, and provides follow-up support to assist the youth in finding employment post-program.

#### St. Louis YouthBuild

# Phone: 314-261-0202

## Web: stlyouthbuild.wix.com/stlyouthbuild

St. Louis YouthBuild provides a safe, secure, and supportive learning environment for young adults who dropped out of high school (ages 18-24). St. Louis YouthBuild helps men and women earn a high school equivalency certificate and learn real job skills in the *construction* field.

#### Urban League

#### Phone: 314-679-3500

# Web: ULSTL.org

(In School Youth): The Urban League provides career counseling and employment opportunities to St. Louis youth ages 14 to 21 who meet one or more barriers: Deficient in basic literacy skills; English Language Learner; Offender; Homeless, runaway, foster child or aged out of foster system; Pregnant or parenting; Individual with a disability; Require additional assistance to enter or complete an educational program; Require assistance to secure and hold employment.

# Vocational Rehabilitation

#### Phone: 314-587-4877

# Web: dese.mo.gov/adult-learning-rehabilitation-services/vocational-rehabilitation

Vocational rehabilitation services help eligible people with disabilities obtain, maintain or advance in employment. To be eligible for assistance from VR, a person must have a physical or mental impairment that constitutes a substantial impediment to employment AND require VR services to prepare for, secure, engage in, retain, advance in or regain employment. VR provides a wide range of services. A Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor will help the client determine which services are required to achieve employment.