



Growth & Development Services, Inc.

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Become a GDS Peer Leader; Reach Your Potential and help others reach theirs!

This summer, in partnership, with Inwood Community Services (ICS), Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP), GDS will launch the **Reach Your Potential (RYP)** Program. Participants will be given the tools they need to excel and reach their Potential as well as give back to their community by becoming Peer Leaders. Youth advocates will continue a campaign they started last summer for the continuation, utilization, and creation of youth and community programs. The RYP program is comprised of three core components; Leadership Development, Youth Advocacy and Peer Leadership.

**Leadership Development
Self-Advocacy**

- Educational Empowerment
- College Readiness
- Wellness Playshops
- RYP Plan
- Job readiness

Youth Advocacy

- Community Impact Events
- Advocacy thru Arts
- Community Service
- Social Media Campaign
- Youth Advisory Council
- Public Speakers Group

Peer Leadership

- Emotional First Aid
- College Mentor
- Career Mentor
- Teen Playshops
- Public Speaking

The Reach Your Potential Program

Dates/Hours
 July 5-August 11
 Tuesday-Thursday
 10a-7pm
 To apply contact:
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 917.533.6880 or
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Job Description-Youth Advocate/Peer Leader

Position Summary: Growth and Development Services Inc. (GDS) is seeking Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) participants to Join Team GDS. We are seeking motivated, team players that have excellent communication skills and who are devoted to helping GDS' community-based organization. He/She will work with Team GDS in training, advocacy, administrative, program, and fundraising

Supervisor: Dr. Gary Altheim, Director of Programs (Tuesday-Thursday)

Dates and Hours- Tuesday, July 5th- Thursday, August 11th, Tuesday-Thursday: 10:00am-7:00pm

Responsibilities: Participants work closely with GDS top-level staff as part of a small, dynamic team, receiving hands-on administrative, entrepreneur and leadership skills. Participants contribute to specific organizational projects in the revitalization of a small non-profit organization serving youth and families. GDS prides itself on training and structuring work experience.

Core Areas:

Leadership Development (Self-Advocacy)- Participants will be trained in Self-Advocacy, wellness, work habits, communication skills, high school success, college readiness, job readiness and leadership development.

Community Advocacy- Assist in event coordination for community youth events, advocacy through arts, and youth council (wellness workshops, open-mic, spoken word, Movie Night). Advocate for the need for community programs for youth.

Peer Leadership Participants will be trained in Peer Leadership; public speaking, emotional first aid and other leadership skills.

Administration and Social Media - Assist in the coordination of community events. Maintain web site and enhance social media presence. Support programming staff and other general administrative duties. Providing office support to development and administrative staff. Maintain office, filing, and organizing supplies.

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