

# **YO-WATTS YouthSource Center Fact Sheet**

## **YouthSource Center Overview**

The South East Los Angeles (S.E.L.A.) Youth Opportunity (Y.O.) Watts YouthSource Center is a City of Los Angeles - Economic Workforce Development Department operated youth/young adult center. The purpose of the YouthSource Center is to improve educational and employment opportunities for 14-24 year old South Los Angeles youth/young adults who are unemployed, out of school and/or facing additional barriers to employment, secondary & postsecondary education. The program increases educational and career-based mentoring opportunities by aligning youth with committed mentors, re-engaging youth in school, developing their personal and professional skills, improving their academic skills, engaging youth in work experience, volunteerism and job shadowing all leading to the youth/young adults securing direct hire livable wage employment.

## **Who is Eligible for the YouthSource program?**

- Youth/Young Adults between the ages of 14 – 24
- In school (High School, College or Vocational Training)
- Not in school (Graduate or Non-Graduate)
- Not employed
- Must live in the City of Los Angeles
- Must have the legal right to work in the United States

## **Benefits of joining the YouthSource program**

- Comprehensive case management, guidance counseling, mentoring & supportive services
- Free Alternative High School on site
- Work readiness, personal & professional development and career development
- Earn a vocational certification/diploma recognized by the State of California
- Paid work experience, job shadowing and summer jobs
- Direct job placement assistance and follow-up services
- Youth Council (Leadership Development)
- Media Production / Drone Club
- Etc...

**Give us a call today for more information!**

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