Marion Bennett Youth Program

Youth who are out of school and unemployed have another option available to them -- the Marion Bennett Youth Program is now in its third month of operation with T.E.T.P. -- a program designed to make significant long term impact on the structural unemployment problems of minority youth and to enhance the job prospects and career opportunities of young persons, including employment, community service opportunities, and such training and supportive services as are necessary to enable unsubsidized employment in the public and private sections of the economy.

To the maximum extent feasible, training

and employment opportunities afforded by this program will be interrelated and mutually reinforced (between this as well as other programs which are sponsored by the Marion Bennett Youth Program, Inc.); so as to achieve the goal of enhancing the job prospects and career opportunities of youth sponsored by this organization.

Older program components are:

Drug Counseling:

Outpatient group therapy and individual counseling for hard-core drug abusers. The drug component stresses modifying behavior patterns and responsible decision making. Family counseling and crisis intervention services are also available.

Tutoring: Individual and small group tutoring is offered in remedial Math, English and G.E.D. preparation.

Survival Skills Training:

Small group training in life skills such as: obtaining employment (resumes, interviewing skills, work habits, etc.); filing applications (loans, scholarships, contractual agreements, renting, buying, leases, etc.); budg-eting (time and money); interpersonal relationships and sex education.

Career Counseling: Individual and small group counseling in labor market potential and career selec-tion. Assistance is offered in developing employability plans. Aptitude testing is available.

YCCIP (Youth Community Conservation and

Improvement Project):

Pre-apprenticeship training is offered in construction trades such as: carpentry; plumbing; electrical repair; masonry, etc. Youth gain work experience by renovating community homes and structures and receive \$2.65 per hour for a forty hour week. Eligibility criteria: 16-19 years old -- out of school,

Adult Training Program: Participants must be 18 years or older to receive training in social service occupa-tions. Training categories are: counseling; tutoring; clerk/typist training; and maintenance workers. Training is conducted forty
hours per week at \$3.85 per hour. Participants must be eligible for C.E.T.A.
Activities Program:

Activity classes are conducted Monday thru Thursday in modeling, personal development, arts and crafts, creative dance and drama. Local fashion shows and talent exhibitions are given at the conclusion of each three month cycle.

Sports Program:

Competitive team involvement in football, softball, basketball, soccer, and track is offered. Program feams compete with other

local teams. Miss Black Teenager of Nevada Pageant: This gala affair is conducted yearly and offers the participants instruction in modeling, poise, and projection. The Pageant is designed to showcase talent and intelligence of our youth as well as their beauty. Needlework Classes:

Instruction in needlework such as: sewing; quilting; and embroidery are offered to both the youth and adults every Saturday. Classes in macrame are also available.



Glendora Tatum gets down to the facts with the Y.E.T.P. participants who are preparing through study, to take the G.E.D. test.



Will you survive on the job, at the market, at the bank? This Survival Skills tutor, Glendora Tatum, guarantees that you will if you come through this class with an "A".



Carole Head, Executive Secretary, makes paperwork seem easy while she prepares a letter for the Executive Director.





Transportation is the name of the game. Alex Griffin goes to the file for information regarding the where abouts of a client who had recently relocated.



Here, Cynthia Clay, Youth Employment Training/Job Developer, gets it all together for some of her young clients.



The Administrative Office is a busy place indeed. Here, Darryl Lynn Bell, Assistant Director; Gloria Connors, Bookkeeper; Jo Ann Jones, Executive Director, give special attention to all of the sticky problems involved with the V.F.T.P. ed with the Y.E.T.P.

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