



FY26 DYRS SYEP and APS for AC Grants Information Session

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DYRS Overview

Mission and Organization:

- The Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS) of the Government of The District of Columbia is the District's Juvenile Justice Agency.
- The Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS) is the single District of Columbia agency responsible for delivering juvenile justice services, serving males and females up to the age of 21 that have been remanded to its custody by the Superior Court of the District of Columbia Superior Court. The youth served by DYRS have been court-ordered to temporary custody or made wards of the district. DYRS' mission is to improve public safety and give court-involved youth the opportunity to become more productive citizens by building on the strengths of youth and their families in the least restrictive, most homelike environment consistent with public safety.
- The vision of DYRS is to provide the nation's best continuum of care for court-involved young people and their families through a wide range of programs emphasizing individual strengths, skill development, personal accountability, family empowerment, community engagement, and public safety. For those youth in the community, DYRS is looking for provider to provide weekly meals at the DYRS Achievement Center as well as meals for the Credible Messenger training sessions.





PLC Overview

- Progressive Life Center (PLC) provides quality mental health and social services targeting individuals, families, organizations and communities in the District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania.
- As a COA accredited services provider, PLC offers treatment and traditional foster care, kinship care, youth diversion, family preservation, and cultural diversity and team building training. PLC also offers mental health services directly to the public.
- PLC programs are shaped by a core belief in the innate strength of the individual, the influence of family, and the support of the community to positively impact and change behavior long-term.



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 WASHINGTON, DC
 BALTIMORE, MARYLAND
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 LANDOVER, MARYLAND
 PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

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DYRS SYEP Overview



- ▶ Progressive Life Center (PLC) and the Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS), are looking for **up to four** providers to provide a 6-week Summer Vocational and Workforce training Program under the Marion S. Barry Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). Vendors shall propose a location to deliver programming within D.C.

<https://plccommunity.org/syep>



DYRS APS for AC Grants



- ▶ This Annual Program Statement (APS) announces the agency’s intention to award funding to entities that will equip justice-involved youth with the skills, training, and opportunities needed to succeed in the workforce and generate sustainable income. DYRS will fund age-appropriate programming for two groups: youth ages 14–16 and youth ages 17–21. For youth ages 14–16, programs should focus on building foundational soft skills, work readiness, and career exploration to spark early interest in future pathways. For youth ages 17–21, programs should provide vocational training, apprenticeships, and on-the-job learning experiences as well as leadership development programming that support a clear “learning-to-earning” transition into employment.

<https://plccommunity.org/aps/>



DYRS APS for AC Grants



**APS – Vocational Programming
(Technology & Digital Skills)
Ages 17-21 (Awards up to
\$60,000)**

**APS – Leadership and
Civic Engagement Ages
14-16 & 17-21 (Awards
up to \$30,000)**

**APS – Work Readiness,
Career Exploration,
Financial Literacy Ages 14-
16 (Awards up to \$30,000)**

**APS – Creative and
Cultural Ages Expression
14-16 & 17-21 (Awards
up to \$30,000)**



DYRS SYEP & APS for AC Grants



Eligible Applicants:

Individuals, community-based non-profit groups and organizations, clergy groups, or small businesses located in the District of Columbia are eligible to apply. For-profit organizations are eligible but may not include profit in their grant application. For-profit organizations may also participate as subcontractors to eligible agencies.



For SYEP: submit a budget and will be taken into consideration

For **Vocational Programming (Technology & Digital Skills)**: up to \$60,000

For **Work Readiness, Career Exploration, Financial Literacy**: up to \$30,000

For Leadership and Civic Engagement: up to \$30,000

For **Creative and Cultural Ages Expression** : up to \$30,000



Length of Awards:

The anticipated grant award start period is **March 9, 2026**





DYRS SYEP and APS for AC Grants Overview

- ▶ **Application process**
 - ▶ Applications can be found on the PLC website
 - ▶ <https://plccommunity.org/syep/>
 - ▶ <https://plccommunity.org/aps/>
 - ▶ Applications must be submitted with the following items:
 - ▶ Proposal (No more than 6 pages)
 - ▶ Budget and Budget Narrative
 - ▶ Certificate of Good Standing
 - ▶ IRS W-9
 - ▶ The application deadline is **4:00 PM on Friday, February 6, 2026**
 - ▶ Applications can be submitted at ANY time, by email to applications@plcntu.org
 - ▶ Rolling applications will be accepted after **4:00PM on Friday, February 6th**



DYRS SYEP and APS for AC Grants Overview

- ▶ **Review Process**
 - ▶ Only completed and eligible applications will be reviewed
 - ▶ Each application will be scored by multiple reviewers.
 - ▶ Reviewers will read and score eligible applications to be awarded.
 - ▶ The final decision on all awards will be made by the Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS).
 - ▶ All awarded and not awarded applications will receive email notification by **week of March 2nd**



Application Content and Submission for SYEP

Category	Description	Points
Program Design & Instructional Approach	Alignment with SYEP/DYRS requirements; six-week structure; industry focus; schedule compliance (Mon–Thu in person, Fri virtual; 6 hrs/day); leadership development	25%
Lesson Plans & Youth Engagement	Quality and clarity of lesson plans; hands-on learning; final project; youth showcase preparation	20%
Experience & Organizational Capacity	Relevant experience; staffing qualifications; capacity to serve up to 15 youth; DC-based location	20%
Monitoring, Attendance & Reporting	Attendance tracking; FamCare reporting; completion monitoring (80%); final report and certificates	15%
Budget & Cost Reasonableness	Detailed, itemized budget; alignment with program activities; reasonable and allowable costs	20%
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Budget and Budget Narrative:

The application includes a reasonable, comprehensive, accurate numeric budget. The application includes a clear, compelling budget narrative, one which justifies the line items listed in the numeric budget.

GOOD			Year 1													Subtotal	Subtotal	Total	Y1 Budget	Variance
Cost Category	Units	# of Units	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26	Apr-26	May-26	Jun-26	Jul-26	Aug-26	Sep-26	Actual					
Staffing																				
Total Salaries			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Fringe Benefits																				
Fringe Benefits	Base	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Fringe Benefits			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Travel and Transportation																				
Total Travel and Transportation			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Equipment																				
Total Equipment			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Supplies																				
Total Supplies			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	





Upcoming Important Dates

- ▶ ALL application questions should be sent to applications@plcntu.org **ONLY**. FY26 SYEP and APS questions can be submitted up until Friday, **January 22nd by 5:00 PM** and will be posted on the PLC website by close of business Monday, January 26th.
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