School to Work (STW)

STW provides vocational training opportunities to youth receiving special education services through local school districts. This program includes paid work experience, work skills training and behavioral adjustment to the work environment to prepare youth for the challenges of community employment.

- **How to Enroll**: Students are referred through their school.
- **Enrollment**: 42 per year
- **Contact**: J. (Caleb) Adams jadams@peckham.org, 517.316.4213

Youth Career Development (YCD)

YCD prepares youth (ages 16 to 26) with disabilities or other barriers to employment, to identify future careers and enhance skills to gain community employment upon graduating from High School. Youth are evaluated on vocational skills and work aptitudes. Services include one-on-one counseling, hands-on training, and community based job try-outs.

- **How to Enroll**: This program is funded by local school districts, and participants are referred through their school.
- **Enrollment**: 25 per year
- **Contact**: J. (Caleb) Adams, jadams@peckham.org, 517.316.4213

Youth Employment Services (YES)

YES is sponsored through Michigan Rehabilitation Services to help youth with disabilities gain competitive employment after High School. Youth work with an employment specialist to identify career goals, learn job seeking skills and ultimately obtain community employment.

- **How to Enroll**: Participants are referred through Michigan Rehabilitation Services.
- **Enrollment**: 40 per year
- **Contact**: J. (Caleb) Adams jadams@peckham.org, 517.316.4213

Peckham Youth Services

Peckham serves nearly 300 youth each year across 8 programs. While the programming is varied, the mission is the same: enhance the opportunities for young people to improve their life circumstances through work.

Crossroads Youth Services

Crossroads is a partnership with Peckham’s Youth Services, Ingham Intermediate School District and Ingham County 30th Judicial Circuit Court. Crossroads provides vocational training to adjudicated youth in Ingham County.

It offers classroom training (career assessments, portfolio development, effective communication), job shadows, interest inventories, and on the job training.

Students earn High School elective credit and a paycheck.

- **How to Enroll**: Students are referred through the 30th Judicial Circuit Court and attend Ingham Academy.
- **Enrollment**: 65 per year
- **Contact**: Sarah Britton, sbritton@peckham.org, 517.316.4428

Footprints Residential Facility

A partnership between Peckham’s Youth Services and Ingham County’s 30 Judicial Circuit Court, Family Division, this six bed residential facility is for adjudicated girls.

Girls (ages 12-17) are placed in our community based facility and receive intensive cognitive behavioral therapy. Residents also have the opportunity to

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participate in extra-curricular activities, tutoring services, counseling, family-focused therapy, and numerous community projects.

- **How to Enroll:** Girls are referred through the 30th Judicial Circuit Court, Family Division
- **Enrollment:** 22 per year
- **Contact:** Jan Benton [jbenton@peckham.org](mailto:jbenton@peckham.org), 517.316.4234

**LINKS**

- LINKS is a partnership with Peckham’s Career Planning, Ingham Intermediate School District, the Lansing School District and Michigan Rehabilitation Services. The purpose of the LINKS program is to reduce the drop-out rate among at-risk special education students by connecting their high school experience to the world of work.

  It offers an opportunity for students to develop self-advocacy skills, and explore interests and abilities through a formal vocational assessment. Outcomes are used to explore career interests through informational interviews with community employers.

- **How to Enroll:** Students are referred to the Capital Area Career Center Assessment Services Office to complete a Compressive Career Assessment, then sent to Peckham for informational interviews.
- **Enrollment:** 45 per year
- **Contact:** Kristen Murphy, [kmurphy@peckham.org](mailto:kmurphy@peckham.org), 517.316.4428

**Next Step**

Funded through the Department of Labor, Next Step is available for 18-21 year olds who had involvement with the juvenile justice system but have no involvement with the adult criminal court system.

Next Step provides opportunities for participants to get their GED or High School Credit Recovery and develop vocational training skills. They also participate in volunteerism, develop a personal portfolio, receive a vocational assessment, and attend regular cognitive behavioral based groups.

Next Step helps participants apply for financial aid, fill out college applications, and in some cases provides financial support to enter into specialized training programs or college.

- **How to Enroll:** Contact Sarah Britton [sbritton@peckham.org](mailto:sbritton@peckham.org), 517.316.4428
- **Enrollment:** 48 per year
- **Contact:** Darrel Malloch [dmalloch@peckham.org](mailto:dmalloch@peckham.org), 517.316.4179 or Amanda Adsit [aadsit@peckham.org](mailto:aadsit@peckham.org), 517.316.4131

**Ready to Achieve Mentoring Program (RAMP)**

Funded by the Department of Juvenile Justice Delinquency and Prevention, RAMP serves High School aged youth with a disability, at-risk of becoming involved or who are involved with the court.

RAMP provides mentors and motivates youth to investigate careers in the STEM fields (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics).

All students attend weekly meetings with mentors, establish goals and participate in job shadows, mock interviews, and develop a high tech project.

- **How to Enroll:** Contact Denise Rose
- **Enrollment:** 65 per year
- **Contact:** Denise Rose [drose@peckham.org](mailto:drose@peckham.org), 517.316.4097

**RIGHT TURN**

Right Turn is a program funded by the Institute of Educational Leadership, who was granted the funds by the Department of Labor. Right Turn provides Vocational Training and mentoring to youth who have been involved with the juvenile court (within the last year) and have refrained from committing any adult crimes. Right Turn provides individualized education, exposure to career opportunities, career preparation, and work-based learning experiences for youth ages 14 to 19.

- **Enrollment:** 100 per year
- **Contact:** Sarah Britton [sbritton@peckham.org](mailto:sbritton@peckham.org), 517.316.4213