

Youth Work Plan

- **Keep recreation centers open.**
 1. Develop on going dialog with the Baltimore City Department of Recreation & Parks regarding the current recreation center operations in Cherry Hill.
 2. Develop a roster of qualified volunteers to support the work done by staff of the Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks.
 3. Get a representative group of young people involved in the dialog.
- **Establish Economic Development Courses in the schools.**
 1. Meet with the representatives from Baltimore City Public Schools to affect a change in the curriculum to include courses on economic development.
 2. Meet with the Maryland Bankers Association to develop partnering programs that would teach students about saving and investing.
 3. Develop an entrepreneurial spirit in the students by hosting entrepreneurial training sessions at the schools.
 4. Develop a mentoring program with local businesses for those students who show real promise in economic development.
- **Develop a comprehensive youth center with longer hours.**
 1. Work with other committees to develop the Family Service Center planned for the former multi purpose facility.
 2. Revisit the coordinated service delivery plan as it related to current youth service providers in Cherry Hill. Update the plan as needed.
 3. Publicize all of the programs that currently serve children and youth in the Cherry Hill community.
- **Create apprenticeships and youth job opportunities.**
 1. Visit local businesses to develop partnerships that would support apprenticeships.
 2. Support the work of training programs like Youth Works, Step Up that promote youth work experience.
 3. Host a yearly youth work fair to publicize employment learning opportunities for youth of Cherry Hill.
- **Advocate for children.**
 1. Put the safety of the children of the community first.
 2. Develop a working committee that includes young people with an equal voice and vote.
 3. Mentor young people to become leaders of community organizations.
 4. Encourage the development of plans that are designed by the young people of Cherry Hill for the young people of Cherry Hill.
 5. Promote leadership training for all interested young people.