Connecting Youth in Rapid Re-Housing to Employment

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A Bit About Me...

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We are dedicated to **ending** chronic unemployment and **poverty**.
National Center on Employment & Homelessness (NCEH)

NCEH works to ensure that employment in quality jobs is a key element in preventing and ending homelessness.
Where's This Information Coming From?

Target audience: Workforce system.

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Build robust partnerships to offer a **continuum of employment, training, & related supportive services** that can meet a wide range of needs.
Deeper Dive | Building relationships with Local Workforce Investment Boards & American Job Centers.

Cross-pollinate systems leadership.

Co-location.

Cross-training.

(Silo busting)

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Immediately engage youth in RRH in employment, training, & related supportive services.

Approach workforce development from an “employment first” perspective.
Offer (or connect to) **paid workforce development opportunities.**

Real work for real pay delivers experience and skills. *It’s also a powerful engagement tool.* Transitional Jobs programs and social enterprises = good approaches for youth.
Employment program service delivery principles that are especially important for youth experiencing homelessness...

Engage with youth for as long as it takes.

Offer multiple chances to “fail” and try again.

Apply therapeutic concepts to employment services.
Thank you – please be in touch!

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