

Mayor Bloomberg and other city and state officials are insusaed plans to need more than \$28\$ million in federal stimulus, delians to create pith through the city's Sommer Yorsh Employment Program (STEP), Combined with millions from state and city cothers, those pands will support approximately \$2,1000 plan this summer—an insupert approximately \$2,1000 plan this summer—an insupertificial approximately \$2,1000 plan this summer—an insupertificial approximately \$2,1000 plan this summer—an insupertificial approximately summer and an approximately summer and the summer and summer and

The Center write already the importance of summer jobs for young flow Yorkners how yours ago, in a policy brief trified "Summer Holp." We certainly believe that enablitismal job dots represent a clear with for the city youngaters who fill them. Undertunstely, the programs is still likely to better all issued as many others on the cut-side looking in. Last year, the Department of Yordin and adlocates the jobs through a lottery, received more than 10,000 applications but ultimately fielded only about 40,000 job dots. As of early May 2000, the agency already had received more than 81,000 applications for this summer, and with the program now open to individuals aged to 24, up though 21 in prior yours—a condition of the factor of handing influer—that musher easily could support the year's batch year's batch year's batch year's batch.

Perhaps worst of all, towns from the poorest families in the city—those with household incomes of less than \$20,000 nor years, he for the least blade to work Henearch suggests the answer is an unambiguous year, in the shapler reason that those who get into the habit of working as a tren are statistically much more likely to being delay on this shifthood. Andrew Sun, director to being delay on this shifthood, Andrew Sun, director University and parhays the country's leading postle employment researcher, states, "Communities that provide jobs for kide have a much better employment records for their young shifts." Furticalisty by employated special policy on to college immediately after graduating high school, work experience during under term years has a positive impact on both the Ekelihood of employment and higher earnings in young adulthood. The implication of this trend are clear for city has reverence, as well as expenditure no corrections, workers, and other social as expenditure no conventions, white, and other social as expenditure no conventions, white, and other social as expenditure no conventions, white, and other social

Even before the current recession, local years suffered in the competition for job by the presence of un-skilled immigrants and individuals transitioning off on public assistance. Now they also most constend with out-of-work adults who can offer employers more education and work experience. As we evidentiate the addition and work experience. As we evidentiate the addition of 8,000 job diets to STEP, public efficials, business leaders and all concerned citizens should redusible their effects to ensure that every young New Yorker who wants a job can find size.

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## More Help Needed

In 2007, the Center published a report which found that growing number of New York City teens were being turned away from the city's Summer Youth Employment Program as a result of federal funding cuts to the program. Last month, the Bloomberg administration announced that the city will use millions of dollars in federal stimulus money to pay for the summer jobs program. But as this update details, a significant shortfall remains.

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