Next Generation Zone

Spokane County's only one-stop career center for young adults ages 16 - 24.

We combine education, career skills training, community and employment resources in one place to provide wrap-around support to inspire young adults in their career goals.



Our Results

There are over

3,800

annual visits to the Next Generation Zone.

Our students log an average of

1,700

hours of study time each month in our GED classroom.

Young adults who achieve employment through our program earn an average wage of

\$12.21 per hour.

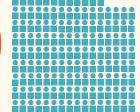
During the 2016-2017 school year,

123

students graduated from our GED program.

We provide educational instruction to an average of

140



students in our classroom each month.



We consistently exceed federal performance measures in all areas, including literacy and numeracy rate, participants earning a work-related credential, and numbers of young adults entering and retaining employment.









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What We Do

Education*

- · GED classes
- Assessments and testing
- Tutoring and test preparation

Training

- · Job shadows
- Internships
- · Post-secondary career training and education
- Financial literacy training
- Mentoring

Career

- 21st Century Career Skills Academy
- Career assessments and coaching
- · Career skills workshops
- Free online Passport to Career Success

Our Partners

The Next Generation Zone is made possible through multiple agencies including AmeriCorps, Career Path Services, Community Colleges of Spokane, Goodwill Industries of the Inland Northwest, JobCorps, NorthEast Washington Educational Service District 101, Open Doors Reengagement Program, and YouthBuild.

*Offered on-site in partnership with the Community Colleges of Spokane and/or Open Doors Youth Reengagement Program.

21st Century Career Skills Academy

The Next Generation Zone's 21st Century Career Skills Academy provides fundamental skills training structured around regional in-demand industries. Young adults explore their career interests and goals while gaining foundational skills for employment and career progression. In these classes, groups of students:

- Practice interviewing skills
- Meet employers and local business leaders
- Learn what skills help them get and keep jobs
- · Learn about budgeting
- Learn about admission and financial aid from college staff
- Build their personal brand portfolio, including résumés

Students leave the course with two certificates:

Microsoft* Digital Literacy Curriculum



Support Spokane's Young Adults



Host an industry tour



Sponsor an academy



Be a mentor



Make a donation

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