

NEW YORK CITY EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING COALITION

Advancing Workforce Development in NYC

Every day, thousands of workforce development professionals in hundreds of nonprofit organizations change lives by giving people the skills and connections they need to achieve economic opportunity and stability. This is the work of our city's workforce development system and the mission of the 200 community-based organizations, community colleges, and union-affiliated training programs that comprise NYCETC. Every year, our members serve close to 700,000 welfare recipients, unemployed workers, disconnected and at-risk youth, ex-offenders, immigrants, and persons who are homeless, elderly, mentally and physically disabled, and HIV-positive. In removing obstacles to employment, providing training and connecting people to jobs, NYCETC members play a vital role in strengthening the city's economic vitality.

Started in 1998 as a volunteer organization and incorporated in 2001, NYCETC has continued to grow in numbers and influence. NYCETC is the one place that brings the city's workforce development community together and unites individual achievements for the common good of New York City. NYCETC's technical assistance, training and policy efforts play a vital role in promoting and strengthening the city's community-based workforce development system, as well as in providing access to the critical information and resources our members need to provide the highest quality direct services. The success of NYCETC is measured in the lives changed by our members and the economic vitality created through a strong and vibrant workforce.



Advocacy – NYCETC advocates for effective workforce development policies and adequate program funding. By connecting government, providers and employers, NYCETC helps to sustain an environment that supports, rather than stifles, our members' ability to operate quality training programs. In 2008, NYCETC launched Skills2CompeteNY (S2C-NY), a campaign to ensure that New York's workforce has the skills needed to meet business demand, foster innovation, and grow broadly shared prosperity. For more information about S2CNY, see: [http://www.nycetc.org/uploads/index\(6\).htm](http://www.nycetc.org/uploads/index(6).htm).



Connections – NYCETC connects our members to policy makers, employers, best practices, and more through our forums, conferences and other outreach efforts. Our educational events -- such as our Workforce Development Summit, Expo & Opportunity Awards Reception; Workforce Development Policy Forum; Job Outlook & Trends Forum; and others -- were attended by more than 1,300 people last year and are the leading forums for workforce development issues in the city. Through these activities, we are able to expose multiple workforce development stakeholders to information and innovative strategies that challenge the entire system to "raise the bar" on program and services.



Communications – NYCETC is a key resource for news, analysis and information that is essential to our members and to the broader workforce development community. Our flagship publication, NYC Workforce Weekly, and website (www.nycetc.org), are key tools in helping NYCETC shape the debate on important workforce development issues.

NYCETC membership is open to New York City employment and training providers that support our mission -- to ensure the opportunity for, and availability of quality workforce development services for all New Yorkers, and to excel at linking our members to the right resources that build their capacity to provide quality services. **To learn more about NYCETC member benefits and how to join, please visit: <http://www.nycetc.org>**

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