



Youth Workforce Services

Our Youth Workforce Services partners with disconnected youth in the LA area to become re-engaged in school and the workforce.

Highlights of our model:

- We focus on two main groups: in-school youth and out-of-school youth with a focus on dropout prevention and recovery
- High school participants are matched to a college and career advisor who works with them for two years
- We offer a variety of workshops and training to give our students the chance to discover what field of study or employment they would like to pursue
- We ensure that our youth is well-prepared to pursue a path of higher education and career stability



Who We Serve



2,000 youth

Ages



10-24



75% out of school and out of work



100% below Federal Poverty Line*

Real Results

Over **48,600** hours of paid work experience**

Financial aid and college application assistance for **100% high school students**



97% of graduating high school seniors were accepted and attended college**

405 Work experiences for enrolled youth



100% of youth enrolled in the case management and internship program successfully completed the financial literacy component

*Federal Poverty Line (FPL) defined in 2018 as an annual income of \$25,100 for a family of four.
**2016-17 academic year data.



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What We Do:

- Tutoring
- Mentoring (teen, youth, and adult)
- Secondary School Offerings
- Summer Employment
- Paid & Unpaid Work Experience
- Occupational Skills Training
- Leadership Development
- Support Services for the whole family
- Guidance & Counseling
- Entrepreneurial Skills Training
- Labor & Employment Information
- Transition to Post-Secondary Education

Partner Schools:

Abraham Lincoln High School	High School
Abram Friedman Occupational Center	Miguel Contreras Learning Complex
Belmont High School	Pueblo De Los Angeles High School
Camino Nuevo Charter Academy	Ramona Opportunity High School
City Of Angels School	New Village Girls Academy
East Los Angeles Skills Center	Newmark High School
East Los Angeles Occupational Center	Theodore Roosevelt High School
Five Keys Charter School	Woodrow Wilson High School
Franklin High School	
Highland Park Continuation	

Internship Placements:

Bank of America	Plaza de La Raza Cultural Center
Cal State Los Angeles	USC Keck School of Medicine
Children's Hospital	White Memorial Hospital
International Institute of Los Angeles	
Los Angeles Superior Court	



Our History

In 1979, the Los Angeles Times published “*The Children of Skid Row: A Grim Life*,” an investigative article detailing the harsh realities for children living in the Skid Row area of Downtown Los Angeles. After reading, teacher and social worker Tanya Tull was motivated to take action.

With only a \$5,000 grant and a warehouse, Tull established the first children’s social service agency on Skid Row and the foundation for Para Los Niños. In 1980, the agency served a total of 51 children, and since then, PLN has grown into a widely respected charitable organization, serving over 5,000 children, youth and families per year.

Locations:

3845 Selig Pl., Suite 150
Los Angeles, CA 90031

234 S. Loma Drive,
Los Angeles, CA 90026

What We Do

Early Education

Our early education centers provide over 450 students with high-quality academic and social-emotional education. Starting as young as six-weeks we engage parents to ensure a strong support system for their success well beyond preschool.

TK– 8th Education

Our project-based approach keeps students intellectually enriched and our wraparound support builds social emotional skills, character, and confidence for over 1,100 students at our Gratts Primary School, Charter Elementary School, and Charter Middle School.

Youth Workforce Services

Working with over 2,000 disconnected youth and adults each year, our staff connects participants with opportunities to build their careers and engage in the community. Through workshops, mentorship, internships, and case management, YWS helps students to succeed in school, work, and life.

Student & Community Services

We use protective factors to create safe and connecting spaces for 4,000 children and caregivers each year. Our staff works to strengthen family environments and reduce barriers for children, youth, and adults to thrive