

New Jersey Youth Corps of Sussex County

Serving Sussex & Northern Warren County

I went to high school a long time ago. I finished freshman year and half of sophomore year. I liked high school because there was a Colombian teacher there and he was very helpful to the Spanish-speaking students.

I am from Mexico and I felt I was wasting my time then because I was unable to go to college without a social security number.

After I dropped out I started working in a restaurant. I was happy with that job, but I had always wanted to be a hairdresser.

I decided to do this program because now I have legal status. I got my social security number in April and I thought now I am able to get my high school diploma.

I would like to go to school to study to be a barber.

The New Jersey Youth Corps is very helpful, not just because you are getting your high school diploma but also because they have different programs here. We just got certified in CPR and there are a lot of services here for employment.

I feel proud of myself. I lost 10 years of my life. Seven years ago I became a mother, which is a beautiful feeling. But now I am doing something for myself, for my future and for my kids. Maybe someday I will open my own shop.



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- High School Equivalency Diploma Education
- Work & Life Skills Training
- Personal & Career Counseling
- Help with Next Steps: College, Career, Military
- Transportation & Child Care
- \$100 Weekly Stipend



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