

Washington County Youth Employment Program

YOUTH SUCCESS :



ELENA

Elena was referred to the Washington County Workforce Center Youth Program by her teacher at her Alternative Learning Center. She was a teen parent about to graduate from high school and was looking for work. During assessment, Elena indicated that she was interested in human services and working with children.

A work experience was developed at Head Start where she could gain work skills in both areas. Elena was an asset to the position in part due to her ability to speak English and Spanish. She was able to communicate effectively with the children and parents of the program.

Elena was also able to interact with staff from the local school district in this position. The school district staff was impressed with her work and subsequently offered her a job as a Para-Professional with the school district. Elena is enjoying her work with the school district and plans to pursue post-secondary training in education and human services.