



One Summer Chicago



- One Summer Chicago (OSC) is the city's summer employment program for youth launched in 2011 by Mayor Rahm Emanuel.
- With over 31,000 opportunities last year, it is the second-largest summer jobs program in the country – larger per-capita than New York or Los Angeles



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Since 2012, OSC has dramatically expanded by 117 percent:

- 2012: 14,500 job opportunities
- 2017: 31,000+ job opportunities

In one month, over 31,000 youth begin work in communities across the city



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Last summer:

- 77,218 youth applied
- 2,929,588 program hours worked
- \$22,430,000 in wages earned
- All 77 Chicago community areas and all 50 wards represented
- Many OSC participants opened bank accounts for the first time





A Network of Providers







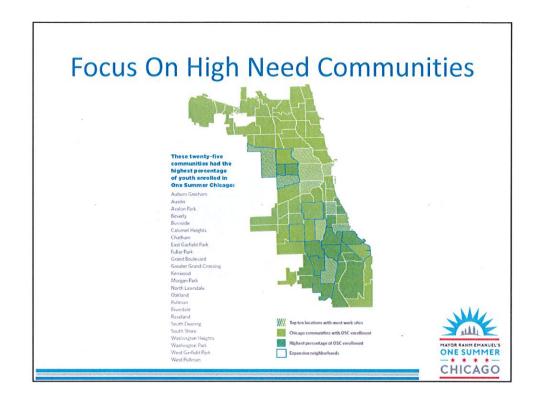






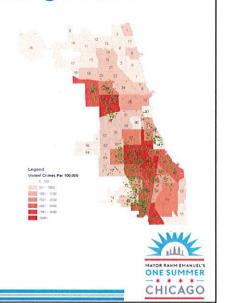
- 100+ community-based agency partners
- 2,000+ employers and worksites





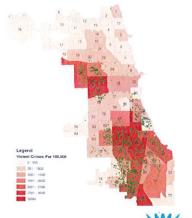
One Summer Chicago PLUS

- Established in 2012 as an experimental component of the larger summer jobs program
- Designed as a violencereduction intervention through partnership with the University of Chicago Crime Lab
- Evaluated via randomized trial – the first-ever for a summer jobs program



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- Participants in One Summer Chicago PLUS saw a 43% decline in violent crime arrest in the 16 months after the program
- This success attracts media attention and private philanthropic interest
- Over \$20 million committed to OSC+ over the past two years



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Text Messaging

Can the City use text messages to effectively communicate with youth? Can text messaging reminders encourage youth to be safe?



Messaged 40,000 youth in summer 2016 with safety-related information Youth that received a "safety" message were 17% more likely to report feeling "safe" or "very safe"

Year-Round Initiatives

We are developing connections from OSC to year-round employment:

Mayor's Mentoring Initiative

 2,000 out of 7,200 youth in the Mayor's Mentoring Initiative will get a job through OSC

Beyond Summer Jobs

- · DFSS, Chicago-Cook Workforce Partnership, and CPS
- \$2M from the Department of Labor for two years
- Prepares and connects 300 opportunity youth to permanent employment, school resources, and other supports



Year-Round Initiatives

Strong Futures

- 12-month pilot initiative based in Auburn Gresham
- Connecting 59 previously significantly justice-involved, unemployed participants to part- and full-time employment opportunities
- Over 60 percent of participants are now currently employed after the first year
- Second cohort will launch in 2017



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