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ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS

ACE helps recovering homeless men and women re-enter the workforce and transition to self-sufficiency. We achieve this through three unique programs:

Project Comeback provides job-readiness training, work experience, Adult Basic Education, hard skills training and job placement assistance.

Project Comeback participants attend job-readiness workshops where they build the skills needed to obtain and maintain employment.

Participants gain work experience on community maintenance crews. Each crew has a supervisor who guides and coaches participants, teaching them how to be successful employees.

Project Comeback offers Adult Basic Education classes in literacy and math, in addition to computer training. Project Comeback also offers hard skills training, including OSHA General Industry Training, Horticulture Training and Food Protection Certification.

Participants conduct a search for employment with assistance from Project Comeback job developers. Participants graduate from Project Comeback upon securing full-time, permanent employment.

Participants receive a stipend for classes and work experience training, and accrue financial incentives to be awarded after program graduation.

Project Stay is our life-long employment retention program that supports graduates as they acclimate to the world of work and transition to self-sufficiency.

Project Stay offers case management services, groups, social events and educational opportunities geared towards professional advancement. Graduates who maintain employment are eligible for financial incentives and a scholarship to Metropolitan College.

Project Home, ACE's housing program, offers a three-year subsidy to select Project Stay participants. Project Home provides a stable environment from which participants can pursue vocational growth, increased earning power and enhanced independent living skills.

Admission Criteria

- **Free Admission**
- **Housing:** applicants must have a history of homelessness.
- **Sobriety:** applicants must have at least 30 days of documented sobriety.
- **Criminal History:** applicants may not have a violent or aggressive criminal history.
- **Medical and Behavioral Health:** applicants must be able to lift and walk for an 8-hour shift; applicants on medication for an Axis-1 diagnosis must have six months of documented stability.
- **Other Requirements:** applicants must be at least 18 years of age and be a US citizen or legal resident.



“If a man is called to be a street sweeper, he should sweep streets even as Michelangelo painted, or Beethoven composed music, or Shakespeare wrote poetry. He should sweep streets so well that all the hosts of heaven and earth will pause to say, here lived a great street sweeper who did his job well.”

Martin Luther King, Jr.



ACE - The Association of Community Employment Programs for the Homeless

Mission Statement

Established in 1992, **ACE** – The Association of Community Employment Programs for the Homeless – is a SoHo based non-profit that provides vocational rehabilitation services for homeless men and women from throughout New York City, helping them find full time employment and achieve economic self-sufficiency.

Our program participants are a visible presence in downtown Manhattan, working hard to keep our streets clean while learning the rules and responsibilities of the workplace.

With the recent establishment of Project Home, ACE's unique housing

program, and a host of supplemental services including literacy classes, introductory computer training and life-long employment retention services, ACE continues to be one of New York City's most innovative vocational rehabilitation programs.

We are proud of our success in helping homeless individuals reclaim their lives and look forward to continuing to provide a pathway to economic independence to our fellow New Yorkers struggling with homelessness.



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