A PATH TO Prosperity

WHO WE ARE

"A Path to Prosperity" is a **paid job training program** through Mercy Neighborhood Ministries, Inc. and the Philadelphia Roadmap to Safer Communities.

OUR MISSION



A Path to Prosperity strives to combat the gun violence and opioid epidemics in Philadelphia with a dynamic, paid job readiness program focused on employment and career opportunities for those it serves. This program operated by Tioga-Nicetown based Mercy Neighborhood Ministries, Inc., serves the organization's broad mission of meeting the needs of the underserved in the community by reinvesting in its neighbors and preparing them for future progress.

OUR VISION

We envision a community where sustainable employment and an aspirational standard of living are attainable for all who seek it.

Our job is to help you get one.

WHO WE SERVE

A Path to Prosperity serves individuals over the age of 18 in North Philadelphia, engaging them in a fourweek job readiness program that offers participants a stipend to prepare for employment. In 2024, 170 individuals earned gainful employment thanks to A Path to Prosperity.

OUR GOALS



Break the cycle of intergenerational poverty through education & employment opportunities.



Mitigate the gun violence epidemic in North Philadelphia by empowering individuals with sustainable career pathways.



Graduate 220 students from the A Path to Prosperity program in the upcoming year.



Guide program graduates toward gainful and meaningful employment.

PROGRAM COMPONENTS



Interview Preparation

Resume Creation



Interpersonal Skill Building



Networking with Recruiters

PROGRAM REOUIREMENTS



HS Diploma or GED certification



Valid Driver's License or State ID



Social Security Number



Willingness to commit to a 4- week program

IMPACT SNAPSHOT

- 256 students graduated since program inception
- 170 participants earned gainful employment in 2024
- 20% annual increase in participants served



Rashid Bey, 27, a gun violence survivor, transformed his life through A Path to Prosperity. Now a certified Peer Support Specialist, PowerCorps PHL graduate, and AmeriCorps alumnus, Rashid exemplifies resilience and personal growth.

"I will refer anyone I believe needs to participate in A Path to Prosperity" he shared. "Just the level of care and opportunities is very, very much needed." Rashid's story showcases the program's life-changing impact on individuals and their communities.

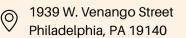
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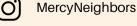
To help us break cycles of poverty and reduce gun violence, we need long-term funding, employer partnerships, program participants, and referral sources. Many of our students face significant barriers, including justice system involvement, homelessness, and limited resources for transportation or technology. By investing in our mission, you directly support opportunities for stability, skill-building, and meaningful employment that transform lives and communities. Please visit our website for volunteer and donation opportunities.



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