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**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY OFFICIALLY KICKS OFF
YOUTH@WORK/SUMMER YOUTH ENRICHMENT PROGRAM AND
ALSOBROOKS SUMMER PASSPORT EXPERIENCE**

LARGO, MD – Prince George's County Executive Angela Alsobrooks announced today that the County has officially kicked off the Youth@Work/Summer Youth Enrichment Program (SYEP). This year, SYEP is providing approximately 6,000 County youth with summer employment.

“We are excited to kick off our Summer Youth Enrichment Program,” says County Executive Alsobrooks. “For over thirty years, Prince George's County has proudly supported this summer program to give our young people a chance to work and learn. We recognize the importance of providing them with meaningful opportunities that help propel them into fulfilling careers. This program has a proven track record for our young people, and I am proud of all those who make it a reality year after year.”

SYEP is an award-winning program through the County's Office of Human Resources Management (OHRM) that provides job readiness training, career workshops, and entry-level summer employment opportunities to young people ages 14 to 22. In 2019, County Executive Alsobrooks doubled the size of the program and expanded the age range. Youth who apply and are selected for the program are placed in constructive summer work experiences in County government agencies, private sector companies, non-profits, and other community organizations.

In addition, the award winning Alsobrooks Summer Passport Experience will provide summer opportunities to 1,000 County youth, beginning July 5, 2022. The Alsobrooks Summer Passport Experience, officially launched during the summer of 2021, offers summer activities and programs for youth ages 12 to 15. The program is based on three Es: Education, Entrepreneurship, and Experience/Entertainment, and provides youth with opportunities for fun and growth in areas including STEM, health and beauty, self-care, mental health, trades, entrepreneurship, and more. This year, the program has 57 vendors participating.

The deadline to apply for SYEP was March 31, 2022, youth will begin working July 5, 2022. Registration for the Alsobrooks Summer Passport Experience initially close on April 8, 2022, but was extended to April 22, 2022 due to high demand. Each young person who successfully completed an application for the Alsobrooks Summer Passport Experience has received placement.

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