



## Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance

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Honorable Helene Weinstein  
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Honorable Liz Krueger  
New York State Senate  
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Dear Assemblymember Weinstein and Senator Krueger:

Thank you allowing me the opportunity to testify at the Joint Legislative Human Service's Budget Hearing. As promised, I am writing to follow up in response to information requested at the hearing. Please share amongst your colleagues.

**Please provide a list of GIVE areas receiving youth employment funds:**

Information on GIVE is available at [Gun Involved Violence Elimination \(GIVE\) Initiative - NY DCJS](#) which states "GIVE supports 20 police departments, district attorneys' offices, probation departments and sheriffs' offices in 17 counties: Albany, Broome, Chautauqua, Dutchess, Erie, Monroe, Nassau, Niagara, Oneida, Onondaga, Orange, Rensselaer, Rockland, Schenectady, Suffolk, Ulster and Westchester. These counties historically account for more than 80 percent of the violent crime that occurs in New York State outside of New York City." The YEP allocations for these districts are available at [23-LCM-13 - Attachment A - 2023-2024 Youth Employment Program Allocations \(ny.gov\)](#).

**Please share any data/stats and funds spent on the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP):**

Data on SYEP is available on OTDA's website at [2022-2023 Summer Youth Program Performance Matrix \(ny.gov\)](#)

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to reach out.

Sincerely,

Barbara C. Guinn  
Acting Commissioner