



**TITLE:** Youth Development Mentor

**REPORTS TO:** Work 2 Learn

**EMPLOYEE STATUS:** Volunteer

**BACKGROUND:** Our Piece of the Pie® (OPP®) is a nonprofit dedicated to helping 14 to 24 year-old urban youth become economically independent adults. OPP's unique model is centered around the personal and consistent relationship developed between each youth and a caring, committed adult staff member which relationship helps youth overcome barriers, access support services within the best practices of Youth Development, Academics, and Job Readiness, and to achieve the goals of high school graduation, a postsecondary credential and meaningful employment. Founded in 1975, OPP provided community- and high school-based programs to 1,700+ young people in Connecticut last year. For more information, visit [www.OPP.org](http://www.OPP.org).

OPP's Work 2 Learn program is a youth center-based program for state-involved youth. Youth are provided the key support of a Youth Development Specialist as they navigate through high school, into college, and find meaningful employment by accessing a mix of youth development, workforce readiness, and academic supports.

**SUMMARY OF POSITION:**

The Work 2 Learn team is looking for excited individual with a passion of giving back with their time as a mentor to a youth. The mentorship role would give one freedom to use their own skills and experiences to be able to connect with the youth on a one on one basis by attending events with one another and being a resource.

**DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES:**

- Promote positive life style and have patience when dealing with youth
- Working alongside with Work 2 Learn staff in cooperating plans and ideas of what to do with youth
- Identifying activities that can appeal to the passions of the youth to attend or do
- Attend orientation to meet students and learn about the organization
- Act as role model in interactions with community members, youth, and staff in accordance with OPP values
- Follow personnel policies of OPP

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Must pass a National Criminal History Record Information Check under the National Child Protection Act
- Commitment to monthly session with youth