Urban Resource Institute (URI) is a leading non-profit organization that provides comprehensive, holistic, and supportive social services that aid and empower New Yorkers in times of crisis. URI’s programs provide care for survivors of domestic violence, homeless families, and other at-risk populations, allowing them to live in safety and recover from trauma in both residential and non-residential settings. As the largest provider of domestic violence residential services in the country, URI has the ability to shelter 1,200 individuals, including survivors and their families, on any given day.

Remaining true to our commitment to offer innovative client-centered services, the Economic Empowerment and Youth Innovation Center aims to foster financial independence for survivors. Our unique model utilizes a strength-based approach and builds upon the skills our clients already have so they may regain control back over their lives.

**Contact Us**

If you are an organization or program that would like to partner with URI’s Economic Empowerment Program, please contact:
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**Economic Empowerment Center**

**Why did we launch the Economic Empowerment Center?**

At Urban Resource Institute, we understand that economic empowerment is an integral part of providing holistic care to our clients. In 98% of domestic violence cases financial abuse occurs and is often the main reason survivors stay or return to abusive partners. Our goal is to support former and current URI clients who are survivors of domestic violence, as well as our homeless families, in obtaining financial independence and self-sufficiency.

**What do we do?** Our program provides clients with career and financial workshops with a trauma-informed and anti-oppressive approach. In addition to workshops, clients will have access to one-on-one career and financial coaching. The Center will also provide them access to a job developer who will support them in finding employment.

**What services are available to URI residents?**

- Job Placement
- Career Advising
- Mechatronics Lab & State of the Art Technology
- Employability and Skills Training
- O’NET and other Career Testing
- Specialty trainings in specific fields

**Our trainings include:**

- Interview Prep
- Resume and Cover Letter Writing
- LinkedIn / Social Media Guidance
- Financial Planning and Safety
- Time Management
- Career Pathways Exploration

**Access To:**

- Financial Empowerment Specialist
- Social Worker
- Career Specialist
- Job Developer

**Who can access our services?**

Urban Resource Institute Economic Empowerment and Youth Innovation Center is open to all past and present URI clients. Our Center services range from individuals with previous and recent work experience, degrees and specializations as well as individuals who have more gaps in their work history and may need some additional skills and training. Our inclusive model allows us to serve all of our clients and be better able to work with partners and employers to find the appropriate talent.

**Ways you can partner:**

In order to provide the best services to our clients, we look to partner with many different types of companies and organizations in a variety of ways. Some of the ways in which you can partner with us include but are not limited to:

- Employer Partnerships
- Internship Opportunities
- Training Provider Partnerships
- Apprenticeship Opportunities