OUR MISSION

GET INVOVLED

716 Ministries is a Christian non-profit community development organization providing economic capacity and property revitalization to the Buffalo, NY area.

The Soft Skills Program provides job-readiness training to men and women seeking employment and runs for 5 weeks, Monday through Thursday, 9:30-1:30 pm.

Our mission is to see men and women grow in confidence, find and grow in meaningful jobs, and experience God's realness and love.



OUR PARTNERS

The Salvation Army, Goodwill Industries of WNY, Jericho Road Community Health Center, the Buffalo Peace House

VOLUNTEER

We have ongoing volunteer opportunities supporting this ministry. The mentoring commitment is typically 4-5 weeks, 1-2 times each week, 9-11 am.

PARTICIPATE

Contact us if you or someone you know would like to participate in this program.

EMPLOY

If you are interested in employing one of our participants for an entry level position, please contact us. Positions should be accessible by public transportation.

DONATE

If you would like to give toward this ministry, we accept monetary donations of all sizes. Visit our website for more details!

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WORK READINESS

SOFT SKILLS PROGRAM



Participants receive training in the following topics:

- Developing a One-Minute Commercial
- Resume Building
- Interviewing
- Job Searching
- Time management
- Communication
- Conflict Resolution
- Punctuality
- Budgeting
- Customer Service
- Employer/Employee Relationships
- Vocational Plan
- Parenting

This class time also involves guest speakers, mock interviews, sharing and discussion in overcoming adversity, and Biblical teaching.





Each participant is paired with a coach who has life wisdom and experience in the workforce. Coaches build a relationship with their coachee, support them in developing goals, and encourage them in the process of gaining meaningful employment. Many of these relationships continue long after the program ends.

"My mentor saw strengths in me I never saw in myself." – Participant

"I have been blessed to see so much growth in my mentee. I feel I have received so much more than I gave." – Coach

"This program has gotten me ready to face the world again. This time with a new outlook on life." – Participant

The program is held at Jericho Road's Vive, the nation's largest shelter for internationals seeking asylum protection. Participants learn teamwork and work management skills by working alongside the Vive residents in helping prepare lunch for 80-120 residents. They also assist with maintenance and construction projects throughout the building.

"This program helped me understand others who don't have as much and see that we can make a difference." - Participant

