
SWEP

SUMMER WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM

Offering young adults with vision loss community-based work, skill development, and an introduction to living independently in a university setting, all at no cost to participants.



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SWEP participants work 20-30 hours a week and attend classes on college and career exploration and preparation. They learn about independent living, self advocacy, and job readiness, all in a dormitory setting.

Besides work, youth learn daily living skills:

- Budgeting
- Cooking
- Managing a household

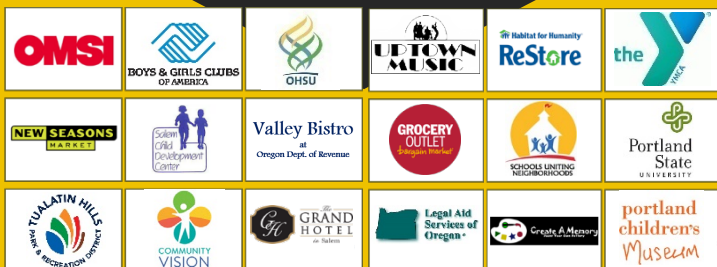
Recreation helps youth:

- Learn teamwork
- Develop vital interpersonal skills

During the 5-6 week program, participants:

- Build relationships with peers and mentors with vision loss
- Grow in confidence
- Gain valuable insight into their own future careers, educational options, and life goals.

We succeed because of great partners:



To learn more about SWEP or to refer a student:

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