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Kids and Jobs Program Suspended this Summer Due to COVID-19

The City of Birmingham Mayor's Office Division of Youth Services (DYS) FOX 6 Kids and Jobs program annually serves hundreds of Birmingham youth by helping them gain summer employment as well as professional and personal development.

The Alabama Department of Public Health also issued a Public Health State of Emergency in Alabama on March 13, 2020, and more recently issued a "Safer at Home" Emergency Order Suspending Certain Public Gatherings Due to Risk of Infection By COVID-19 until July 3. Mayor Randall L. Woodfin declared a State of Emergency in Birmingham on March 16th.

It is because of the concern for the well-being of our students, program partners, and recommendations of health and city officials that we will suspend the Fox 6 Kids and Jobs Program this summer. To our business and workforce community, we believe Birmingham will emerge stronger after COVID-19 and DYS looks forward to providing more quality youth opportunities moving forward. Thank you for continuing to partner with DYS in putting youth first in the City of Birmingham.

We are currently monitoring the situation as it relates to COVID-19, openings, and recovery. We will continue to provide updates on a regular basis regarding DYS programs, partnerships, and services. We invite everyone to connect with DYS on FB, Twitter, and Instagram. DYS will continue sharing information that serves Birmingham youth and families. The Youth First Weekly, an e-newsletter, will provide information on educational and supportive services available to students and families. This is a free service and you can sign-up to receive it at www.bhamyouthfirst.org or contact us at (205) 320-0879.

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