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Dear Warren and Andy:

We are receiving a LOT of inquiries about summer jobs for youth. In the past, we have had dollars either through "excess" program funds OR, last year, we had Put Illinois to work funding.

Community members are VERY concerned about neighborhood violence during the summer and the need to have opportunities for youth.

The Neighborhood Recovery Initiative will really get rolling at the beginning of Summer, and each of the 23 participating communities will hire 80 youth for the Mentoring Plus Jobs Program.

Can we talk about any and all other opportunities that the State will have (or may have) for summer jobs for youth?

Thank you very much,
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