



The Problem

Nearly 136,000 New York City young adults are out of school, out of work. Community-based organizations are stretched beyond capacity to meet their needs. Employers need a well-trained workforce to replace retiring baby boomers. Systems that work to address the concerns require a coordinated effort.

The Solution

As a young workforce development intermediary, JobsFirstNYC raises consciousness about the challenges young adults face, coordinates and leverages community assets, builds institutional and field capacity, and convenes stakeholders. We sit at the intersection of workforce and economic development, philanthropy, policy-makers and practitioners, and is able to operate at the system level, rather than provide direct-services on the ground.

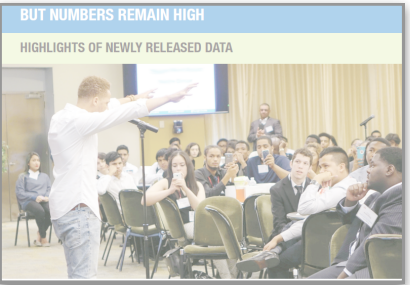
JobsFirstNYC expands opportunities for out-of- work, out-of- school young people by:

- Bridging the gap between systems that serve them
- Lifting up solutions through research, publications, and policy recommendations
- Improving the results of workforce development practitioners
- Helping employers recognize and profit from the value of young workers and
- Increasing funding for more effective programs

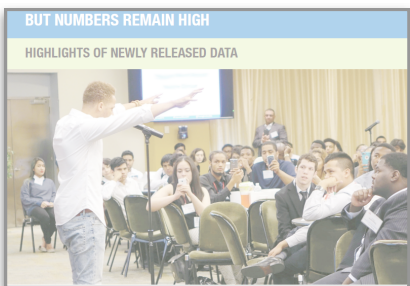
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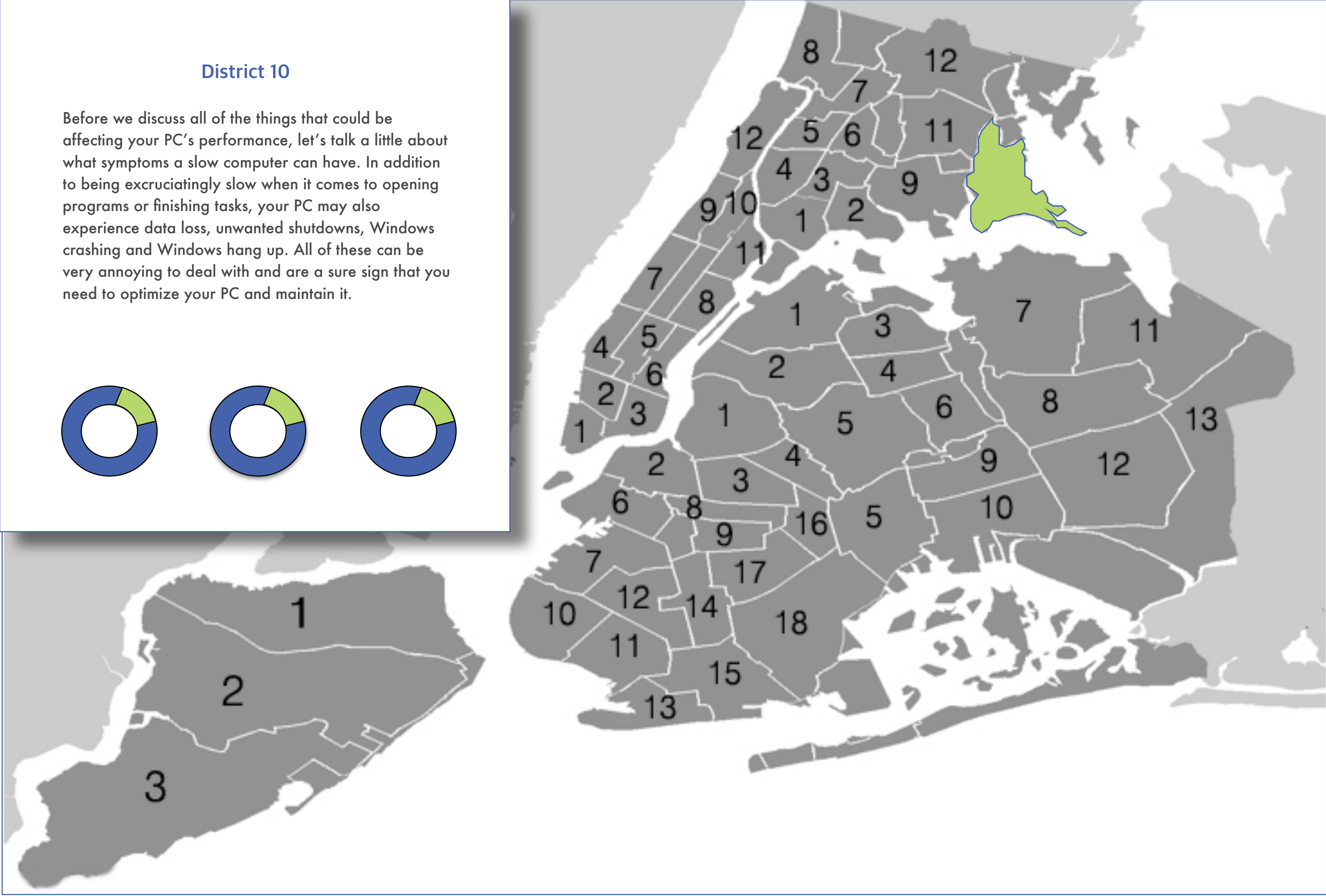
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Our Impact

NSince its founding in 2007, JobsFirstNYC has built and tested many demonstration projects that are now being replicated across the country and influencing how public policy is made. We have convened stakeholders at events designed to encourage collaborative innovation, creation, and learning. We have published reports and conducted research on a variety of topics that influence the lives of our constituency population. We have worked with the philanthropic community to advance their thinking on the measures and metrics and ways for them to act as partners to the workforce field. We have dove deep into communities, identifying the 18 in New York with the highest concentrations of out-of- school, out-of- work young adults, and we have informed City Agencies when they design their programs and implement their dollars to maximize effectiveness. We have engaged the business community in New York City, aligning forward-thinking employers in order to advance the case for young adults as employees and help to deepen the field’s aligned with economic development practice.






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