

# S P A R K

Students  
Providing  
And  
Receiving  
Knowledge

"SPARK has introduced me to a career that I'm passionate about."

-Kevin G, CPC

"SPARK was a life changer"

- Maria N.

"A bright SPARK lightens a pathway to a journey to change lives."

- Elvira C.

"SPARK motivated me to graduate."

-Diana H, CPC

"If I did this program pregnant anyone could do it."

-Delilah L, CPC

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# About Us

SPARK Peer Learning Center offers a 6-week program for youth ages 17 to 30 that teaches social and emotional skills and prepares them to take the Washington State Certified Peer Counseling Training class.

We offer an exploration into becoming a Certified Peer Counselor in Washington State, along with exploring the career path to higher education in the Social Services industry.

- Certified Peer Counselor (CPC) career path for young adults ages 17 to 30
- Day and night classes available
- Mentoring and coaching with a strength-based approach
- Develop goal setting, self-advocacy and self-empowerment skills
- A safe place and confidential environment to learn



## Requirements for SPARK

- Must be on track to graduate or obtain a GED, or have a highschool Diploma
- Have Lived Experience
- Take 40-hour certification class

## WA State Requirements for Peer Certification

- 18 years of age at the time of certification testing.
- Have had or are a youth or family member of someone with behavioral health challenges
- Have knowledge of utilizing or navigating complex systems.
- Complete Modules
- Submit Certified Peer Counselor application to WA State

## What We Do

The SPARK team not only works with youth ages 17 to 30 with lived experiences, we also work with those within the Juvenile Rehabilitation system to have a career path. Our team has had the opportunity to attend and present at various meetings and conferences as a way to advocate for youth voice such as:

- Governor's Results Washington Initiative
- Peer Pathways Conference
- Expansion of Peer programs Statewide & Nationally
- Building Washington State's Youth Behavioral Health Network
- Family, Youth & System Partner Roundtables (FYSPRT) - Local, Regional, State-wide
- WISe Symposium (Wrap Around with Intensive Services)
- Behavioral Health Advisory Council (BHAC)
- Building a "SPARK Tool Kit"
- Learning how to teach other youth by example
- Always looking to start or join other projects for youth!!

"Without Spark life would be dark"  
-Kahory N.

**"SPARK YOUR FUTURE!"**  
**Make Your Mark in The World!**  
**Become a Peer Counselor &**  
**Help Change a Life!**

