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# **FACT SHEET:**

## **LifeSkills, Education & Career**

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**WHAT:** LifeSkills, Education and Career (LEC) modules use the motto "Educating people for life," and provide program residents the opportunity to discover and develop their personal, academic and career potential. These modules help residents break the cycles of under-education, poverty and homelessness through rehabilitative education.

**WHO SERVED:** Residents in the Denver Rescue Mission's New Life Program at The Crossing, Harvest Farm and Champa House.

**PROGRAM:** The LEC curriculum is self-paced and equips students with basic academic skills and computer literacy. Residents who lack a high school diploma can earn their GED. Residents also receive life skills training in such topics as financial planning, conflict resolution, and job readiness.

<b>COMPONENTS:</b>	<u>ACADEMICS</u>	<u>LIFE SKILLS</u>	<u>CAREER DEVELOPMENT</u>
	Reading	Personal finances	Career counseling
	Writing	Job readiness	Career assessment
	Language	Relational dynamics	Job search skills
	Mathematics	Family dynamics	Resume writing
	Science	Anger management	Interviewing skills
	Social studies	Stress management	Job resources
	Computer literacy	Conflict resolution	
	GED prep	Addictions education	
	Continuing education	Health education	

**RESULTS:** Program residents who earn their GED increase an average of over 1.5 grade levels in reading, math and language. Many residents continue their education at the college or trade school level after completing the Mission's educational program.

**HISTORY:** Inaugurated in 1989 by Colorado Governor Roy Romer, the Mission's LEC program has served as a model for mission education programs nationwide.