outh:	Employment Specialist:	Date:
	ASSET-BASED INVENTORY	
nterviewee:	Relationship to Youth:	
	What do you like?	
	Why do you (does the youth) want to work?	
Interests	What is your (the youth's) dream job?	
and Preferences	What are some activities you (the youth) enjoy (e.g., sports, hobbies, passions, etc.)? What does	s the youth do in their free time?
This section allows	Who do you (does the youth) spend time with and what do you (they) do together?	
you to get to know and learn about what motivates the youth. You learn about the youth's	In what environmental conditions do you (does the youth) do best? (indoors/outdoors, noisy/quie pace, time of day, routine tasks/variety, etc.)	et, many people/few people, slow/fast
dreams, aspirations, what holds their interest and how they respond to different situations.	How do you (does the youth) best learn a new task (e.g., model/demonstrate, step-by-step, written	en check list)?
Notes:		





	What have you done?
	Are you (is the youth) currently employed and earning wages? If so, where? What accommodations are in place, if any?
Life & Work	Have you (the youth) had any previous paid or unpaid work experiences? What tasks did you (the youth) perform in these experiences? What accommodations were needed?
Experiences	
This section allows you to learn about social activities and experiences through which the youth	What types of household chores are completed regularly (both assigned and voluntary)?
enjoyed or disliked and has learned transferrable skills that can be used at a well-matched work experience.	In what community or social activities do you (does the youth) participate? (e.g., sports, clubs, church, interest organizations, etc.)
Notes:	









What can you do?			
	What are some of your (the	e youth's) talents, things you (the youth) do well?	
	Describe your (the youth	's) abilities and academic skills:	
	Dexterity		
	Lifting		
	Standing		
Skills,	Math		
Knowledge &	Money		
Abilities	Reading		
	Writing		
	Computers (Data entry, software programs,		
This section allows	formatting, social media)		
you to learn about	Basic Office Skills (ability		
the youth's natural	to file, alphabetical,		
and current skills.	numeric indexing,		
You will learn about	scanning)		
the things they are naturally good at,	Customer Service & Social skills		
which will give you a baseline of the	Communication/Speech		
youth's skills and	Other?		





abilities for a starting point when negotiating tasks and duties.

Have you (the youth) been involved in any specific vocational training? If so, where and when?

	What don't you like?
	Are there particular situations you recommend we avoid when searching for work experiences and job opportunities?
Dislikes	
&	What is a job or job setting that you (the youth) do NOT want to do?
This section allows you to learn about	
situations that would make a work experience miserable for the youth. Through learning about dislikes, you will learn the youth's true preferences.	Are there particular activities that the youth is "known" to dislike?





Notes:	
	What help do you need to do well?
	What accommodations or supports are currently being provided in school or other settings?
	What accommodations might be needed in the workplace (e.g., physical accessibility, assistive technology, special schedule, job coaching, etc.)?
Accommodations &	
Support Needs	
	What supports might need to be maintained beyond the initial placement?
This section will allow you to learn and understand what the youth needs to have in	
place to be successful on the job. Learning if the youth needs a "distraction-free work space or assistive technology,	What do I need to know about you (the youth) so I can help you (them) identify necessary supports once they are in the workplace?





this section will paint the picture of the day-to-day work environment.	
picture of the day-to-day work	
Notes:	

	How do you get around?
	How do you (does the youth) get to places you want to go? (e.g., bus, relative, neighbor, car service, etc.)
Transportation Resources	Do you have a bus pass, mobility sharing pass, or access to other public transportation?
	Have you had travel training? Is it necessary?
	Does the school or employment agency provide transportation to work experience locations?





	What needs to be considered in planning how to get to work? (e.g., family schedules, accessibility, proximity to home, etc.)
This section will allow you	
to learn about the	
transportation resources	
that are in place for the	
youth and what is needed.	
Notes:	

	Who helps and encourages you at home and at school?
	Are there people who support and encourage you (the youth)? How do they provide support and encouragement?
	□ Family member:
	□ Friend:
Other Available Supports	□ Neighbor:





	☐ Teacher:
This section will allow you to learn about other people who can provide support, encouragement and/or resources for the youth as they look for and succeed in their work experience.	□ Job Coach: □ Social Service Agency or personnel: □ Other:
Notes:	
	What else should we know?
	Do you (does the youth) have any geographical preferences? (e.g., certain areas of the community, close to home, etc.)
	Do you (the youth) have a preference or need to work certain days/hours? An ideal work schedule?
	□ Part-time □ Full-time □ Mornings □ Afternoons □ Evenings □ Ideal work schedule:
	☐ Days not available: ☐ Hours not available:





Searching for the Work Experience	Do you (does the youth) have any ideas about the employers or types of employers we should talk to?
&	How would you describe your (the youth's) temperament? (e.g., easy going, easily frustrated, easily distracted, etc.)
Other General	
Observations	Can you describe any habits, routines or idiosyncrasies you (the youth) do that may stand out to others?
	Do you have any ideas about employers or types of employers we should talk to? Contacts in your network who may be open to creating a work experience?
This section provides any additional	
information about logistical preferences and general observations that may be helpful in planning and pursing a work experience.	Do you know people who might suggest or have contacts with particular employers or types of employers?

Where should we look?	
	Employer leads?





Possibilities and Ideas	Things to explore?
	Action steps?
This section will allow you to record your thoughts and brainstorms on work possibilities or any matter related to planning for the work experience	
Notes:	