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Office of Youth

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Office of Youth Overview

The Office of Youth works to improve outcomes for young people across Hamilton County by coordinating services, strengthening partnerships, and advancing equitable access to opportunity.

Core Focus Areas:

- ✓ Youth employment & workforce readiness
- ✓ Education & career pathways
- ✓ Cross-system collaboration

Workforce Programs:

- ✓ CCMEP
- ✓ YEP

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Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program (CCMEP)

What is CCMEP?

CCMEP empowers low-income youth ages 14–24 to build meaningful career pathways, gain employment, and break the cycle of poverty. The program provides comprehensive, individualized services designed to support long-term success.

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Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program (CCMEP)

Who is eligible for CCMEP?

- ✓ Hamilton County Resident
- ✓ Ages 14-24
- ✓ Low-income
- ✓ Facing barriers to self-sufficiency

Barriers may include:

- Lack of Basic Skills
- Pregnant or parenting
- Court involved
- Housing Instability

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Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program (CCMEP)

What services are available?

- Comprehensive guidance and counseling
- Dropout recovery services
- Education and workforce preparation activities
- Entrepreneurial skills training
- Financial literacy education
- Career counseling
- Supportive services
- Leadership development opportunities
- Mentoring
- Occupational skills training
- Tutoring or study skills training
- Preparation for post-secondary education and training
- Paid/unpaid work experiences

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Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program (CCMEP)

Where can I apply for CCMEP?

- ✓ www.hcjfs.org/services/workforce_development
- ✓ Click on the Comprehensive Case Management Employment Program Link

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Comprehensive Case Management Employment Program (CCMEP) is a dynamic, year-round program for Hamilton County residents ages 14 to 24 who have incomes within 200 percent of the federal poverty level. CCMEP services include case management, referrals, and barrier removal in order to move clients forward on an education or career pathway.

- WIOA Youth Programs – provide 14 – 24-year-old in-school and out-of-school youth with resources to help them gain the required job readiness, educational attainment, and job knowledge for transitioning into the workplace.
- Hamilton County Youth Employment Program (YEP) provides jobs and year-round job readiness training for Hamilton County residents ages 14 – 21. We want to help young people in Hamilton County find work, explore careers and remove barriers to create a clear path to more education or a career.

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Hamilton County Youth Employment Program (YEP)

What is YEP?

The Hamilton County Youth Employment Program (YEP) provides Hamilton County youth with meaningful paid work experiences designed to build workforce skills and prepare them for long-term career success. Through hands-on employment opportunities, participants gain practical experience, develop professional skills, and strengthen their readiness for future education and career pathways.

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Hamilton County Youth Employment Program (YEP)

Who is eligible for YEP?

- ✓ Hamilton County Resident
- ✓ Ages 14-21
- ✓ Low-income

  -OR-
- ✓ Facing barriers to self-sufficiency

Barriers may include:

- Lack of Basic Skills
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Hamilton County Youth Employment Program (YEP)

What services are available?

- ✓ **In-Person or Remote Employment Experiences**
  - Opportunities focused on skill building, job shadowing, and career exploration.
- ✓ **Job Readiness Training**
  - Career exploration, résumé development, and interview preparation.
- ✓ **Employment Experience**
  - Subsidized paid work experience (up to 160 hours at $13/hour) across a variety of sectors, including public agencies, nonprofits, and local businesses.

Referrals are available for wraparound support services.

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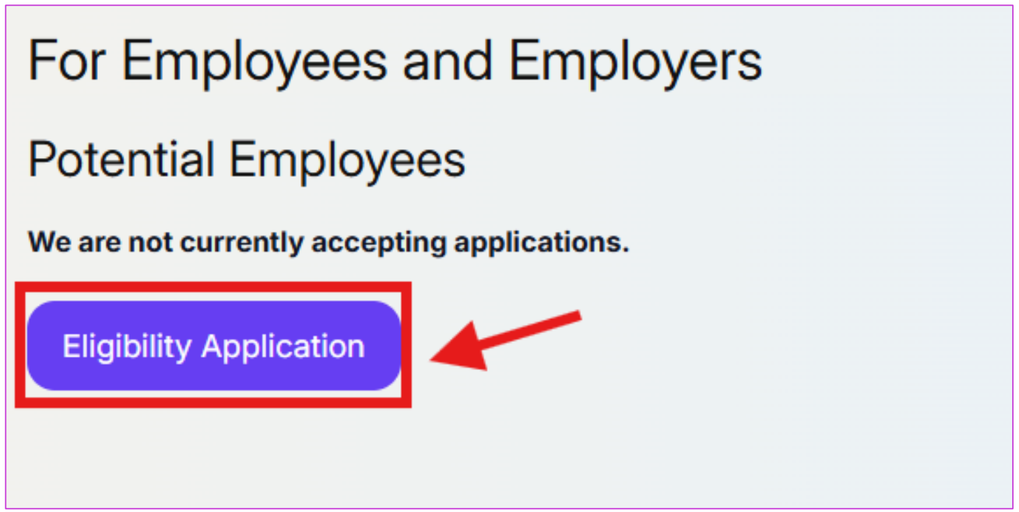
Hamilton County Youth Employment Program (YEP)

Where can I apply for YEP?

- ✓ www.hcjfs.org/youthemployment
- ✓ Click on the Eligibility Application Button



We Empowered Futures!

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Youth Employment Kick Off 2026

Date: Saturday, April 11th, 2026

Time: 10:00A – 2:00P

Location: Jerriel Baptist Church
1018 Wesley Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45203

For more information: https://513relief.org/bus/

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Questions or Referrals?

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