

SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Your future starts now—
get paid and get ahead!



**Earn
\$16.00
an hour**

Your First Job, Your Next Opportunity

Landing your first job can feel overwhelming—maybe you don't have experience yet, aren't sure where to start, or just need guidance on what opportunities are out there. That's where we come in! This program gives you the chance to gain real-world experience, build confidence, and develop skills that will help you in any job you take on in the future.

The CEDA Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) is more than just a summer job—it's your chance to get paid, build skills, and make connections that will help you long after summer ends. You'll work in a job that matches your interests, learn from experienced mentors, and gain real-world experience that looks great on college applications and resumes. Plus, you'll earn money while doing it!

Why Apply

- **Earn Money While Gaining Experience:** Get paid for meaningful work that builds your resume and future job prospects.
- **Develop Job Skills:** Learn essential workplace skills like communication, teamwork, and time management to help you in any career.
- **Explore Career Interests:** Gain hands-on experience in different industries and discover what careers excite you.
- **Get Professional Mentorship:** Work with mentors who provide guidance and insight into navigating the working world.
- **Prepare for Your Future:** The skills and connections you make this summer can help with college applications, future job opportunities, and long-term success.

Our program provides paid job opportunities, skill development, and mentorship to help young people gain real-world experience and build confidence for future success.

Contact Us Today

Call our Information & Referral Helpline at **(312) 795-8948** for more information or to pre-apply.

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This program proudly
serves residents of
suburban Cook County.

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Eligibility Requirements

- Must be a resident of suburban Cook County.
- Household income must be at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).
- Provide proof of identity, such as a valid government-issued photo ID.
- Available to participants ages 16-24.

How It Works

The application period is **March 24 – April 11, 2025**. Participants accepted into the program will be placed in a paid summer job, gaining real-world experience, developing professional skills, and exploring career interests. The program runs **June 9 – August 1, 2025**, with participants working **28 hours per week** and attending biweekly virtual professional development sessions on mental health, college & career planning, and civic engagement. This **8-week program** helps youth build skills, gain confidence, and earn a paycheck.

Household Size	Max. 30-day Income	Max Annual Income
1	\$2,608	\$31,300
2	\$3,525	\$42,300
3	\$4,442	\$53,300
4	\$5,358	\$64,300
5	\$6,275	\$75,300
6	\$7,192	\$86,300
7	\$8,108	\$97,300
8	\$9,025	\$108,300

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To learn more and check eligibility, call our **Information & Referral Helpline at (312) 795-8948** or contact our Youth Services team:

fsaceyouthservices@cedaorg.net

Service Hours:

Monday-Friday: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

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