

YCC YOUTH SUMMER JOBS RESOURCES

Searching out summer employment and learning opportunities for YCC program participants can be a challenge. [The Youth Summer Jobs Community of Practice](#) is an online destination for finding and sharing information on this important topic. The website features blogs, discussions, and resources for young adult summer learning, training, and working, as well a library of resources that cover a broader range of workforce training and career counseling topics. This tip sheet is a summary of the more relevant summer opportunity resources collected there.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

[Summer Opportunity AmeriCorps](#)

Summer Opportunity AmeriCorps was created in 2016 to build on existing national service initiatives that address the summer “opportunity gap” for young people, particularly low-income students. The program helps young adults serve their communities while earning money for college. The Summer Opportunity web page features a link to search for AmeriCorps opportunities in different states and a mailing list sign-up form to receive updates from the program.

[Youth.gov Employment](#)

Scroll down the Employment page of the jam-packed youth.gov website for links to agencies, job opportunities, programs, publications, training resources, additional websites, and more. A navigation bar points to other employment-related pages on the site, including Career Exploration & Skill Development, a particularly rich source of information on the subject. See below for more information on that resource.

[Youth.gov Employment – Career Exploration & Skill Development](#)

This indispensable online reference library has a wealth of information on all aspects of becoming job-ready: mentoring, apprenticeships, counseling, training, skills assessment. In addition, it provides links to job search websites such as CareerOneStop, MySkillsMyFuture, and Youth Jobs+, along with tools for career planning and individualized learning.



LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

[STEM and Summer](#)

Here are a few resources that respond to the high demand for STEM learning opportunities. Two are online offerings, which may be particularly useful for rural areas and communities where transportation to learning centers might be lacking.

■ [LRNG.org](#)

An array of learning tools young people can access right from their mobile phones, Lrng.org products develop real-world skills through game-based experiences and assessments. As participants complete playlists of self-directed, discovery-oriented learning, they earn badges to provide evidence of learning achievements.

■ [Treehouse Coding Curriculum](#)

This subscription-based platform offers technology education in web design, coding, app creation, and more. With an extensive library of courses for beginner, intermediate, and advanced, students learn at their

own pace through video lessons, practice sessions, and interactive quizzes and earn points and content badges that appear on their public Treehouse profiles.

■ [Meetup.com](#)

Program managers and proactive young adults can use this popular platform to find in-person technology circles or other learning opportunities in their fields of interest. From web design, programming, and database groups to virtual reality enthusiasts and makers of every variety, Meetup.org is a virtual avenue to pursuing real-time interests.



FUNDING SOURCES

[Summer Opportunities — Funding Resource Guide](#)

This guide features charts and summaries of some potential funding streams for subsidizing not only summer employment and education programs but also a number of other crucial support services for young people. In addition, it highlights innovative states, districts, and communities that have creatively blended public and private funding to develop summer programs and services for young populations.



GENERAL INFORMATION & STATISTICS

[Youth.gov](#)

This U.S. government website is the go-to source for information on youth-related topics from education and employment to a myriad of social, economic, and health issues. Its resources, to mention just a few, include: news and announcements; regulations; articles, publications, and guides; access to government programs, grants, and technical assistance; and links to relevant websites. An invaluable tool for creating, maintaining, and strengthening youth programs of all types.

[YouthRules!](#)

YouthRules! is an initiative designed to promote positive and safe work experiences for teens and increase compliance with labor laws that apply to young workers. Its website, printed materials, outreach events, training seminars, and partnering activities are designed to educate teens, parents, educators, and employers about these State and Federal regulations. The website is a quick gateway to this information.

[U.S. Department of Labor Youth & Labor Resources](#)

This DOL web page is the main source for federal government information, statistics, rules, and legislation regarding youth and labor. Its subtopic pages address such specific areas as agricultural employment, door-to-door sales, the entertainment industry, and recordkeeping, while also offering additional resources for educators, parents, and young workers.

[Find Youth Data](#)

This resource includes data from the most recent Bureau of Labor Statistics annual estimate of employment and unemployment among 16- to 24-year-olds. Included are tables of statistics on summer youth employment and links to a range of labor demographics. Also provided are some youth employment and college prep tools, as well as reports on youth-related initiatives.