

# SYEP TENNESSEE

## SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Tennessee's Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) connects young people ages 14 through 24 years old with career exploration opportunities and paid work experiences during the summer. By participating in SYEP, young people can earn, learn, and thrive while they are out of school. A summer job teaches valuable life skills that can set a young person down a path to a lifetime of success. Funded entirely by the state of Tennessee, SYEP allows youth the opportunity to explore their interests while earning competitive wages.

### FAST FACTS

- All youths between 14 and 24 years old
- Low-income and foster care participants are a priority
- SYEP runs July 1, 2023, through August 31, 2024
- Work up to 25 hours per week for up to 8 weeks
- SYEP aims to employ 3,750 Tennessee youth in 2023 and 2024

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SYEP also benefits Tennessee employers. All public, private, and nonprofit employers can become potential work sites for the SYEP program. During the eight-week summer program, all youth wages are covered by the state of Tennessee. There is no cost to the employer to hire SYEP participants.

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