

# YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES UNLIMITED PROGRAM DESCRIPTION



Youth Opportunities Unlimited is a workforce development program for 16-21 year-olds. Y.O.U. has two major components: a youth one-stop Career Center for all youth in the Louisville Metro area ages 16-21 and an intensive program for out-of-school youth in the same age group. The Career Center has trained staff who assist young people on a walk-in basis with job hunting, job referrals, occupational research, career interest inventories, resume-building, on-line applications and interview preparation. The intensive services program for out-of-school youth consists of one-on-one career counseling by a personal Career Planner, a free Learning Lab where participants receive instruction in math, reading and GED preparation, daily Career-Orientated Learning Activities (COLA), an incentive program and a variety of seminars and mini-courses designed to give young people the skills they need to be successful in launching their own career. The Y.O.U. intensive program also offers financial assistance for occupational training to participants who qualify for federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA) services. The Y.O.U. Center is managed by JCPS Adult and Continuing Education and is funded by KentuckianaWorks and the Louisville Metro Mayor's Office, with the additional assistance of corporate, foundation and private donors.

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