

# 2025 Employment & Opportunity Guide for Minneapolis Youth



## Employment

### [Cookie Cart](#)

Teens, 15-18, receive work, life and leadership skills through experience and training in a bakery.

### [Conservation Corps](#)

Afterschool program for ages 15 to 18. Gain job skills, learn about ecology, and earn money doing community service.

### [YMCA](#)

Jobs for ages 16+ as child care aides, lifeguards, SAC program staff, swim instructors. Internships also available.

### [Minneapolis Park & Recreation](#)

Summer and temporary employment programs for youth over age 15.

### [Hennepin County Intern Program](#)

Jobs for young adults will be posted when available.

### [Step Up](#)

Paid summer internships for Minneapolis youth ages 14-21. The application for 2025 will be available online in early January 2025.

### [Youth Farm](#)

Farming and leadership program for youth ages 9 to 24.

### [Juxtaposition Arts](#)

Develop the technical drawing skills necessary to be hired and succeed as an apprentice in a JXTALab or Studio.

### [MIGIZI Youth Futures Program](#)

For Minneapolis American Indian youth, ages 14-21.



## How to look for a job

### **Network:**

- Ask friends, classmates, church members, relatives, and teachers if they know of job openings or if they have suggestions of places to look.
- Tell those you know that you are looking for a job and describe your strengths and skills.
- Give those you know your contact information in case something comes up. Thank them for their help.
- Create a LinkedIn account at [www.linkedin.com](http://www.linkedin.com)

### **Resume:**

- Put together a simple resume.
- Even if you have no work experience, you can give the employer an idea of your strengths and skills.
- Find resume writing tips at the library or online at [CareerForce](http://CareerForce).

### **Job Search:**

- Keep your eyes open for "help wanted" signs.
- Check local newspapers' "help wanted" ads.
- Visit employer and employment websites.

### **Contact Employers:**

- Call or visit employers. Ask to talk to the manager.
- Introduce yourself and tell the manager that you are looking for a job. Describe a couple of your skills.
- Ask if you can fill out an application. If there are no openings, ask if you can fill out an application for future openings. Thank the manager by name.

## Other resources

### **Minneapolis CareerForce Locations**

Find classes, trainings and job fairs at CareerForce.

- [Minneapolis South CareerForce Center:](#)  
777 East Lake Street, Minneapolis, 651-539-4410
- [Minneapolis North CareerForce Center:](#)  
800 West Broadway, Minneapolis, 612-299-7200

### [City of Minneapolis Job Seeker Bulletin](#)

Learn about job openings, job training, job fairs, job search tips and resources through a bi-monthly e-newsletter.

## Volunteer opportunities

[Science Museum of Minnesota](#)

[Hennepin County Library](#)

[Volunteer Match](#)

[Animal Humane Society](#)

[Hands On Twin Cities](#)

[Minnesota Youth Council](#)

## Job Search Help

[Minneapolis Youth Works](#)

Minneapolis Youth Works helps Minneapolis youth and young adults learn academic, life and work skills, identify career paths, and achieve meaningful employment. The program serves out-of-school youth ages 16-24 and in-school youth ages 14-21.

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612-425-4703, 1834 Emerson Ave. N., Minneapolis, MN

**Alan | EMERGE Cedar Riverside Opportunity Center**

612-425-4703, 505-15<sup>th</sup> Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN

**Dominique Johnson | Hired/CareerForce Mpls North**

612-477-9035, 800 W. Broadway, Minneapolis, MN

**Kelley | Hired/Youth Opportunity Center**

612-408-8527, 41 N. 12th Street, Minneapolis, MN

**Hired/ North Loop**

612-808-9500, 217 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. N., Minneapolis, MN

**Autumn | Pillsbury United Communities-Waite House**

612-455-0385, 2323 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN

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612-752-8806, 1826 Chicago Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN

## Job Search Help for Youth Experiencing Homelessness

[YouthLink](#)

Resources for unsheltered youth, including GED tutoring and employment counselors are available.

[Elpis Enterprises](#)

Job training, work experience and job placement for homeless or precariously housed youth ages 16-23.

## Internships

[Genesys Works](#)

High school juniors work for 12 months at a top company.

[the BRANDLAB](#)

Preparing students for marketing and advertising careers.

[Bike Mechanic Paid Internships](#)

Full Cycle offers internships for homeless and street-dependent youth ages 16-24.

## Career Training and education

[CareerForce – Start Your Career](#)

Explore careers, plan your education, and find a job.

[Job Corps](#)

Free career training for low income youth ages 16+.

[Minneapolis Fire Department Programs](#)

Fire and Emergency Services Explorer Program.

[Minneapolis Community Education](#)

Summer Youth Educational Programs.

[Dunwoody College Pathway to Careers](#)

Career program for high school juniors and seniors or adults.

[PUC Youth Internships](#)

Paid internship opportunities for youth.

[American Red Cross](#)

Lifeguard and babysitting classes and certifications.

[360 Journalism](#)

Summer camps for aspiring high school journalists.

[YouthBuild](#)

Construction training with a weekly stipend for 16-24 year olds not enrolled in school and wanting to earn a GED.

[Minnesota Vocational Rehabilitation Services](#)

Services available to support students receiving special education services with employment and education goals.

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