



MEMORANDUM

TO: DCF All Staff
FROM: Dr. Linda Dixon, Administrator for Transitional Supports and Success
DATE: May 19, 2020
SUBJECT: Summer Youth Employment

We are so happy to share Summer Youth Employment will be available this year!!

In partnership with the Department of Labor (DOL) since 2011, this is a unique opportunity for DCF involved youth to receive supervision, workforce readiness training, skill development, and job placement at various employment sites in the retail, automotive, healthcare, and social service sectors.

These opportunities include a six-week summer portion as well as a year-round employment opportunity. This year, we have modified the Memorandum of Understanding to allow the providers more flexibility for youth to participate in various workforce credential training online.

Please review this link for more information: [Summer Youth Employment](#)

We are requesting for each Region to assign a contact person that could help get the word out to workers about this opportunity.

Last year, not all the DCF slots were utilized. Given the current crisis and lack of overall employment, it is more critical than ever we fill these slots and take full advantage of this opportunity. Some of the Workforce Development Boards (WDB) have already started accepting applications for the summer work training program.

We are still working out the exact number of slots each Region will be allotted. DCF should refer youth to the workforce development board located in the area (see below) where the youth is living. If you have additional questions or inquiries, please contact Dan Ross (daniel.ross@ct.gov) or 860-818-3847.

| Region | WDB | DCF Offices in WDB Region |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Eastern | Eastern Workforce Investment Board | Norwich, Willimantic |
| North Central | Capital Workforce Partners | Hartford, New Britain, Manchester |
| Northwest | Northwest Regional Workforce Development Board | Waterbury, Danbury, Torrington |
| South Central | Workforce Alliance | Middletown, Meriden, Milford |
| Southwest | The WorkPlace, Inc. | Bridgeport, Norwalk, Stamford |