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Prepare for your Future with the Charleston County Summer Youth Program

Apply online beginning April 28 at <u>http://www.charlestoncounty.org/syep</u>

Summer months are around the corner and <u>Charleston County</u> <u>Government</u> is once again offering the Summer Youth Employment Program. The program provides teenagers and young adults who reside in Charleston County an opportunity to develop workplace readiness skills, provide exposure to a professional environment and gain experience in the operations of county government.

"Last year's program was so successful that it was an easy decision to bring it back again this year," <u>said Teddie E. Pryor, Sr., Charleston County</u> <u>Council Chairman</u>. "The abundance of applications we received showed us there is a serious need for summer employment opportunities in our County."

The program runs from June 13 to July 25, for a total of six weeks, and students will be working 20 hours a week. The County expects to be able to fund up to 100 students who want to get work experience this summer. The goal is for students to obtain summer employment and explore the various career opportunities that exist within County departments, while gaining critical workforce skills.



"The Summer Youth Employment Program will provide opportunities for teens and young adults to have a meaningful employment experience working alongside Charleston County professional staff and to develop work place readiness skills that will serve them throughout their career and academic endeavors," said Patricia Henley, who coordinates the program for the County.

Applications will be available beginning April 28 at <u>http://www.charlestoncounty.org/syep</u>. Application packets may be submitted by email or in person at Charleston County's Human Resources Department located in the Lonnie Hamilton III Public Services Building at 4045 Bridge View Drive North Charleston, SC 29405

Student eligibility requirements for the Summer Youth Employment Program are:

- Age 15-22
- Currently attending high school or college
- Residents of Charleston County

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