

WE EMPOWER

YouthBuild McLean County is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that has been providing educational and occupational skills training for the youth of McLean County for over 20 years. The organization operates three, individualized and comprehensive educational programs that works to elevate the skills of young people and helps make them ready for post-secondary education and the workforce.

While working to finish their high school education, our students complete occupational training. One area of training offered is residential construction which includes new home construction and rehabilitation of affordable homes in our community.

In addition to academic and occupational training, youth perform over 40,000 hours of community service to local non-profit organizations, community initiatives and service projects each year.

It is YouthBuild's mission to offer young people a once in a lifetime opportunity to build their futures and their communities through: education, leadership development, job training, and the rehabilitation and production of affordable housing, while keeping a profound respect for, and a commitment to a real partnership with youth.

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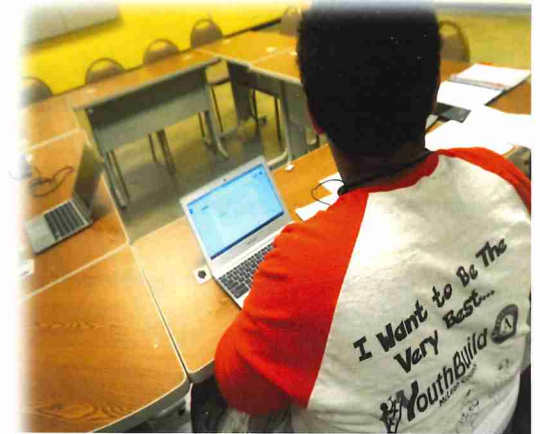
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I AM YOUTHBUILD!

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MAKE THE DIFFERENCE!

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FACTS

- ✓ One of the largest YouthBuild programs in the nation – serving youth between the ages of 15-24
- ✓ We serve 150 -175 youth annually
- ✓ We have served over 1500 youth in McLean County since 1994
- ✓ We are federally and locally funded; diversified funding streams that includes federal dollars from grant and local dollars including support from local private corporations and businesses
- ✓ We offer year round youth development programming
- ✓ We serve at-risk youth who are: court involved, teen parent/s, in foster care, homeless, low income, non-traditional learners, children of incarcerated parents, academically deficient, youth with disabilities & youth who are ready to make positive life changes
- ✓ Students have built or rehabbed over 130 units of housing for low income families in McLean County
- ✓ Students have contributed over 850,000 hours of service to McLean County



PROGRAMS

Education

- ◆ Accredited High School education program
 - * GED * First Aid/Safety * OSHA * Financial Literacy * Entrepreneurship * Occupational Skills Certification

College Success/Job readiness

- ◆ Work-study/Internships * Summer Jobs Program * College Immersion Days * Career Center * Heartland Community College BRIDGE Program

Mentoring

- ◆ Individual and group mentoring, including young women and young minority men

Vocational training

- ◆ Youth Apprenticeship Program
 - Residential construction
 - Information technology (IT)
 - Healthcare & Wellness
- ◆ Warehouse and logistics
- ◆ Apartment maintenance/janitorial
- ◆ Front desk/reception
- ◆ Deconstruction/demolition
- ◆ Early childhood education
- ◆ Nonprofit support

Alumni - youth receive ongoing strategic support from dedicated staff to ensure success

“Once in YouthBuild, Always in YouthBuild”

AmeriCorps Service - each participant completes a *minimum* of 675 volunteer hours before graduation, participants are eligible to earn funds to continue training in post secondary education by completing service hours

Case Management Services - assists youth in doing “whatever it takes” to meet program goals and work towards a successful, productive future

Career Center - providing job seeking services, programs and resources to facilitate lifelong career development while also meeting the hiring needs of local employers