



DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

SUMMER YOUTH EXPERIENCE PROGRAM 2015



Does your business need “free” help this summer?

Finding reliable summer help can be a challenge and often times difficult to find the right person. Here at the Department of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) we can take all the hassle out of finding and paying for summer help! DORS can provide you with a young adult looking for summer work by **pre-screening applicants, paying for their wages and also providing a trainer on the site as needed.** DORS can also deliver **multiple youth workers based on your business need.**

The purpose of this program is to provide short term work opportunities to our youth participants, allowing them to gain valuable experience and career exposure as they look to transition to the world of work. All DORS asks is that your organization provides a professional work environment where our Summer Youth Participants can be introduced to the world of work.

What’s in it for your company?

DORS can offer:

- Pre-screened and qualified youth with disabilities under the age of 24.
- Proper job matches and the opportunity to interview participants with no obligation to hire.
- Fully subsidize the youth participant’s wages for the duration of the Summer Youth Experience Program (12 weeks).
- Coordinate and fund all payroll, accounting and liability insurance necessary to facilitate the experience at no cost to your business.
- Individualized job supports necessary for a successful experience are in place.

What you need to know:

- Youth participants should be given an opportunity to gain experience in an actual work environment.
- The work experience needs to occur between July and September of 2015.
- The work experience should be a minimum of 135 total hours, but is limited to 40 hours per week.
- Host Employers will be asked to provide feedback on each participant’s performance on the job.

Last year we partnered with over 400 employers to give 300 youth a work experience in their businesses. Your CT business can be a part of this growing employer community that offers work experiences to Connecticut’s future work force. If you believe in giving young people the opportunity to become part of the world of work contact us today to get started!

Contact: 1-800-537-2549 for more information