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Summit County 2017 Summer Youth Employment Program Registration Is Underway

Summit County Executive Ilene Shapiro announced today that registration is underway for the Summit County 2017 Summer Youth Employment Program. Youths between the ages of 14 – 24 as of June 1, 2017, may qualify for summer jobs offered by the Summit County Department of Job and Family Services. Interested youths (or their parent, guardian, or designee) must register online for a first-come, first-served chance to participate.

"A key component to our economic strategy is to provide employers with a skilled, experienced and educated workforce," said Executive Shapiro. "The skills and work experience gained through the Summer Youth Employment Program enable hundreds of young men and women to succeed throughout the rest of their lives."

The Summit County Executive's Office has successfully operated the Summer Youth Employment Program for several years. Participants in the program are able to get real-world work experience and the satisfaction of being compensated for their hard work. Youth and their families are encouraged to register as soon as possible due to reduced funding from the State for this year's program.

Youth can register online now by visiting:

www.summitomj.org/SYE

Who Can Apply?

• Must be a Summit County resident aged 14 – 24 as of June 1, 2017.

• Applicant's household must meet minor-child requirement.

• Household income must not exceed 200% of the federal poverty level.

• Employment opportunities will be limited, and availability will be determined by age,

worksite, and funding; work for youths between the ages of 14 - 15 will be very limited.

For full eligibility details, visit

www.summitomj.org/SYE/FPL

Once registered online, youths/families will be given instructions on how to continue the process of eligibility determination and placement in the program. Attending a work-readiness course is required before youth employment may begin. Due to limited funding, there is no guarantee that all youths who register will be placed in the program. Placement will be completed of a first-come, first-served basis.

Summer work will begin on June 12, 2017, and the youth-readiness courses will be offered on dates tobe-determined. Bus passes will be provided to those in need of transportation assistance.

The program also seeks employers throughout Summit County to serve as worksites. To learn more about becoming a worksite, use our new online worksite registration tool at:

www.summitomj.org/SYE/employers

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