

## Assistance available for young job seekers

The Cincinnati-Hamilton County Community Action Agency (CAA) is providing at-risk young men and women with an opportunity to build brighter futures. CAA will hold a YouthBuild Construction & Training Program Kickoff Event on Saturday, Sept. 19, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at CAA's main office at 1740 Langdon Farm Road. Young adults will have the opportunity to learn more about a program where over 90 percent of its students are placed in jobs or post-secondary education upon graduation. Along with being able to apply for the program, on-site interviews will take place.

YouthBuild is a construction training program that allows participants to work toward their GED while serving the community by building affordable housing. Youth earn a national certification in construction to help them obtain employment upon completion of the program. The program also assists youth from low-income communities in overcoming negative attitudes and leading self-sufficient lives. CAA works with participants to provide supportive services, such as personal mentoring, job skills training, mental toughness training, referral services, and childcare. To be eligible for the program, youth must be between the ages of 16-24, live in Hamilton County, be unemployed, and have dropped out of high school.

For more information, contact CAA's Youth Services at 569-1840 ext. 1466 or visit <http://www.cincy-caa.org>.