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At-risk young adults graduate from vocational training program

- What:** Cincinnati-Hamilton County Community Action Agency's (CAA) Blueprint for Success program graduation
- When:** Thursday, February 26, 2009
- Where:** Cincinnati-Hamilton County Community Action Agency
Gwen L. Robinson Conference Room
1740 Langdon Farm Road
Cincinnati, OH 45237
- Who:** Thirty-seven youth ages 18-24 graduated last night from CAA's 7 month pre-apprenticeship course, called the Blueprint for Success program. The course assists at-risk young adults ages 18-24 who are unemployed, underemployed, are ex-offenders, or who have dropped out of high school. Through the program, these youth receive the training, knowledge, and job search assistance necessary to find employment in the construction field. The program provides classroom instruction and hands-on experience. In addition, participants receive intensive supportive services to help address other barriers they experience to self-sufficiency.

This class of Blueprint students worked on a special project this past October, partnering with Duke Energy to help our community recover from the damage caused by the wind storm. At no cost to homeowners, Blueprint students repaired roofs, windows, and siding damaged by the storm, in addition to performing minor electric repairs, re-hanging doors, and removing trees and other yard debris.

- Why:** Young adults who find themselves in at-risk situations often times need the support and assistance of others to rise above their current situations and create self-sufficient lives. Blueprint for Success provides what Cincinnati's young people need to turn their lives around and build promising futures.

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