

DeKalb County Youth Creating Change Program

Youth Creating Change

The mission of **Youth Creating Change (YCC)** is to support youth as they pursue and complete a job training or certification program, employment, or post-secondary education.

What is Youth Creating Change?

The purpose of **Youth Creating Change (YCC)** is to divert youth ages 16 to 24 from further penetrating into the criminal justice system. This initiative was developed to ensure that youth enrolled will progress to post-secondary education, employment, and or advanced occupational training.



What Certifications are Offered?

Youth Creating Change (YCC) focuses on certifications in high demand fields that include the following industries and *more*:

- Plumbing/HVAC
- Electrical
- Automotive
- Medical Tech
- Welding
- Pharmacy Tech
- Landscaping
- Phlebotomy
- Ultrasound Tech



Services

- One-on-one Case Management
- Testing and Placement
- Educational classes
- Mentoring
- Career exploration, occupational training and job placement
- College preparation and tours
- Record sealing and expungement

Who is Eligible?

- Youth ages 16 to 24 who meet federal guidelines and reside in targeted areas.
- Youth in school and out of school
- Youth who have had current or previous involvement with the juvenile justice system.



Applications are open to youth ages 16 to 24 who meet eligibility requirements.

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DeKalb County Juvenile Court

Mission:

To protect the best interest of the child and the community, to restore the lives of children who have been neglected or abuse, to redirect children who have admitted to or have been found in violation of the law to become law abiding, productive citizens, and support the continuity of families by leaving children in their homes whenever possible.



Youth Creating Change's goal is to provide each individual with the services needed to get a fresh start in life. It is our sincere hope that with the services offered we can ensure that each participant is equipped with skills and training so that they can move towards accomplishing their ultimate goal.



Desiree Sutton Peagler, Chief Judge

Linda Bratton Haynes, Judge

Vincent C. Crawford, Judge

Fatima A. El-Amin, Judge

THE ROAD TO SUCCESS



YCC is a 95% federally funded program by the Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration. DeKalb Juvenile Court was awarded \$859,904 over a three year period to provide this service to the youth in DeKalb County.

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Training and Developing our Youth for a Successful Future

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