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## **SARATOGA COUNTY 2022 SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (SYEP)**

### **ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

The Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) is a grant funded work experience program for youth. Youth must apply for the program annually and it is income based.

The program has been in place in Saratoga County since the mid-1970s when it was known as CETA. The CETA name comes from the original funding source; the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act. The overall grant program is administered by the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance and implemented by the Saratoga County Department of Employment & Training.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the program is to provide summer work experience and training to qualified youth to help them develop the skills they need to succeed in the workforce.

### **HOW IT WORKS**

Saratoga County youth are placed at non-profit, business or government worksites throughout the county. Youth enrolled in the program are provided with a supervised work experience during the summer months. They are also provided with employment counseling and educational materials to assist them with present and future employment by the Department of Employment & Training.

The program provides many youth with their very first work experience and for others it serves as additional experience to assist them on their future career path.

The grant funds provided are used to pay the wages of youth participants and enable employment counselors to assist the youth with education/training support and employment related services.

The work experiences in Saratoga County include but are not limited to: cleaning positions at schools and public buildings, Counselors in Training at summer camps, library pages, museum docents, building and grounds maintenance and laborers.

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