

## Youth CAN's Mission:

To help young people enter the workforce prepared on all levels—from academic and occupational skills achievement to the attainment of a healthy work ethic.

“Our primary goal, as professional and caring adults, is to serve those young people who need extra help and motivation to achieve success.”

— Youth CAN Staff

Youth CAN is a program of Mid-Cumberland Human Resource Agency (MCHRA), a nonprofit social services organization created by the Tennessee General Assembly in 1974 to provide a variety of social services in the 12-county mid-Cumberland area. Our programs serve youth and older people, the disabled and disadvantaged, and others in need.

MCHRA serves the 12 counties of:

Cheatham • Dickson • Houston  
Humphreys • Montgomery • Robertson  
Rutherford • Stewart • Sumner  
Trousdale • Williamson • Wilson

Some programs, including Youth CAN, serve Davidson County.

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MCHRA Programs Include:

- Child Care Certificate
- Community Corrections
- Families First Transportation
- Homemaker Services
- Long-Term Care Ombudsman
- Meals-on-Wheels/Senior Dining
- Minor Home Modifications
- Minority Applicant Pool System
- Misdemeanor Management/DUI
- RPS (Representative Payee Services)
- RTS (Regional Transit System)
- Women, Infants & Children Program
- Youth CAN

For more information about our programs, visit our website: [www.mchra.com](http://www.mchra.com)

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# YOUTH CAN— Career Action Network

*Preparing Our Youth  
for the Workplace*

A Program of Mid-Cumberland  
Human Resource Agency



**MID-CUMBERLAND  
HUMAN RESOURCE AGENCY**

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## Goals of Youth CAN

- to provide or link eligible youth to the financial and educational help they need to receive a high school diploma, GED, or certificate
- to prepare eligible youth for employment, occupational, and post-secondary educational opportunities

## Participant Eligibility

Applicants must first meet low-income guidelines and then any of the following criteria:

- deficient in basic literacy skills
- a school dropout
- homeless or a runaway
- a foster child or in state custody
- pregnant or a parent
- an offender
- disabled
- needing additional assistance to complete an educational program or to secure employment

*All qualified applicants will receive consideration for participation without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or disability. Auxiliary aids and services will be provided to persons with disabilities upon request.*

Coni Caudle, 862-8890, TTY 1-800-848-0298  
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## Youth CAN Staff

- identify and assess qualified participants and help them create individualized career strategies
- work one-on-one with the participants to guide them toward receiving a diploma, GED, or certificate
- work hand-in-hand with the participants to guide them toward employability, independence, and personal responsibility
- are committed to helping the participants in ways that might prove in the long run to make the difference between success and failure in their lives

## Workforce Investment Area 9 Youth 16–21

Davidson County: Out-of-School Youth  
615-850-3921 or 615-850-3907

Rutherford and Trousdale Counties:  
615-217-6823

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## Youth CAN Services and Activities

- High School Graduation Assistance
- Accessing Schools & Training  
GED programs | occupational skills training programs | TTCs | colleges apprenticeships | on-the-job training assistance applying for enrollment, scholarships, and student loans
- Accessing Community Resources  
health & medical services | insurance Families First | other resources
- Counseling  
career & employment (*interviewing, resumes, etc.*) | educational | life management skills (*budgeting, etc.*)
- Financial Assistance  
tuitions | fees | books & supplies tools | uniforms | day care | housing dental & optical | transportation
- Paid Work Experience
- One-on-One Tutoring
- Other Services  
as needed to assist in receiving certificate, training, and employment