



**Important
Dates to
Remember**

Application Due
March 30, 2018

Job Fair
April 28, 2018

Dear Student,

Thank you for your interest in the Summer Youth Initiative (SYI). SYI is a training and employment program for Genesee County in-school youth who meet the following criteria:

- Age 14-18 and currently in the 9th-12th grade. You must meet **both** age and grade level requirements.
- Live in Genesee County and attend a Genesee County school (includes public, private, charter, alternative and home schools)
- Have successfully completed the TeenQuest Pre-Employment Leadership Training through the Flint & Genesee Chamber of Commerce. If you have not completed TeenQuest, please contact (810) 600-1413 to apply.

If you meet the criteria above, complete the attached SYI 2018 Application to be considered for employment opportunities. **Applications are due Friday, March 30, 2018.** Mail or deliver your application to the Flint & Genesee Chamber of Commerce, 519 S. Saginaw, Suite 200, Flint, MI 48502. Mailed applications with a postmark of no later than March 30, 2018 will be accepted. You may also fax your application to (810) 600-1413.

The application is attached for you to complete and return to the Chamber by March 30, 2018. You must submit an application to SYI and attend the Job Fair each year to be considered for employment. You will receive a letter inviting you to the SYI Job Fair a few weeks before the event. If you change your address, please contact our office at (810) 600-1413 so that we can update your information. If you have any questions, you may contact the Chamber via email at syi@flintandgenesee.org or (810) 600-1413.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Rhetta G. Hunyady'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped 'R' at the beginning.

Rhetta Hunyady
Vice President, Education & Training

Have you previously been employed through the Summer Youth Initiative Program?
 Yes No If yes, list the name of the employer you worked with below:

Work Experience: List below all present and past employment beginning with your most recent job. Please list on a separate sheet any additional information and attach it with your application.

Company: _____
Supervisor: _____
Address: _____ City: _____
Telephone: _____
Starting Date: _____ Ending Date: _____
Position: _____ Reason for Leaving: _____

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Are you currently employed? Yes No Work hours: _____
Do you anticipate having a second summer job in addition to SYI? Yes No

Please list other skills, talents, and abilities that you have. This could include any artistic, musical, computer, athletic, leadership skills, etc.

Please list any present or past volunteer experience. If none, please print "None" below.

Please list any present or past extracurricular activities (sports, clubs, student council, etc.).

Other Commitments:

Please check any other planned summer activities that may conflict with the Summer Youth Initiative work experience. If none, please check "None" below.

<input type="checkbox"/> Summer vacation	<input type="checkbox"/> Drivers training	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
<input type="checkbox"/> Sports practices	<input type="checkbox"/> Summer camp	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Reunion
<input type="checkbox"/> Summer school	<input type="checkbox"/> College visits	<input type="checkbox"/> None

Date of activity: _____

Employment Opportunities

Each year, several nonprofit agencies are selected to be the “employers” for the Summer Youth Initiative Program. Below is a list of the types of jobs that may be available through these employers. Please **select your top three choices (number them 1, 2, 3)**. While we are asking you to select your top three choices, we reserve the right to make any changes.

Community Beautification Assistant. You will work in community parks and other public areas with clean-up, recycling and planting activities.

Kids Club Assistant. You will work with young children in five core areas including academics, recreation, health, arts, and character development.

Community Garden Assistant. Your work assignments will include cultivating, nurturing and harvesting produce to be sold to the general public.

Sports Assistant. You will be assisting in preparing the ball field for games, officiating and coaching players ages 4-15 years old.

Library Assistant. You will be working on research projects, organizing materials, helping with the reading club and assisting young children.

Food Bank Assistant. You will be packaging and sorting food, personal items and meals for at risk children and families in the community.

General Office Assistant. You will work in an office setting, answering phones, filing, collating materials, typing, and other office assignments.

Special Needs Assistant. You will work with disabled adults to provide a variety of activities to assist them in their goal to live, work and participate in the community as normally and as independently as possible.

Other employment opportunities may also be available through other area employers. Please **check the ones you have an interest in** from the list below:

Retail stores

Fast Food/Restaurant

General office

I’m open to any job.

Packaging and shipping materials

Grocery store

SYI Employee Agreement:

All students who are applying for SYI employment must agree to the following:

1. **Attend the SYI Job Fair.** Exceptions will be made for any teen who is hospitalized or whose religion observes Saturday as a holy day. Written proof will be required to be considered for opportunities that become available following the SYI Job Fair.
2. If you are hired through SYI, **you are responsible to obtain a work permit** from your school and provide it to your employer prior to your first day of work.
3. **Volunteer one day of service through the SYI Volunteer Service Day.** If you are unable to participate on the planned volunteer day, you can meet this requirement by volunteering with a local nonprofit agency and submitting a letter to the Chamber from the agency confirming your service during the summer.
4. You may be offered a job by several employers; however, **you can only accept one job offer.**

I understand the three things listed above and agree to complete all of the requirements.

Signature required

You want to be in the Summer Youth Initiative because:

The Flint & Genesee Chamber of Commerce and the SYI Employer Agencies would like to know why you want to be in the Summer Youth Initiative Program. Please write a brief paragraph below that explains in your own words why you want this job.

If you do not answer this section, your application will be incomplete and will not meet the program criteria.

CERTIFICATION: By signing and submitting this form, I certify that this application is complete and all information provided is true and accurate and contains no willful falsifications or misrepresentations. I understand that falsifications or misrepresentations will disqualify me from consideration for employment.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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Mail or deliver your application to:
Flint & Genesee Chamber of Commerce
Attn: Summer Youth Initiative
519 S. Saginaw, Suite 200
Flint MI 48502
Or Fax to 810-600-1463