

History

In July 2016, Riverside County Works was formed in order to further the workforce development skills of our residents through special programs and initiatives.

These programs and initiatives focus on expanding the knowledge and skillset of our residents in order to have a thriving sustainable workforce.



"Giving is not just about making a donation. It is about making a difference."

- Kathy Calvin, CEO United Nations Foundations



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Our Mission

The mission of Riverside County Works is primarily to support and promote the Riverside County workforce development system as a means to advance the common good and general welfare of Riverside County residents. This effort comes in the form of special programs and initiatives.

Our Focus

Riverside County Works focuses on the development of partnerships, job seekers, businesses/employers and youth through the following programs and initiatives:

- **Youth Summer Employment:**
To engage local businesses and seek employment opportunities for youth to gain meaningful workforce experience.
- **Youth Recognition:**
To recognize and award disconnected youth with academic scholarships that match their college or trade school aspirations.
- **Up-Skilling Local Workforce:**
To create opportunities and assist in the development of skills and knowledge to better prepare County residents for the workforce.
- **Veterans:**
Create employment programs that provide industry-specific training to prepare veterans for skilled positions and connect them to our local employers.

The Facts

Disconnected Youth (DY) Ages 16-24		
	USA	Riverside County DY Youth
Poverty Status	23%	17% (152,023)
Unemployment Rate	15%	17% (28,020)
Less Than High School Diploma 18-24 years	14%	11.5% (27,485)

Annual Washington D.C. Youth Trip

Youth are selected from the Youth Opportunity Centers located in Riverside County to visit Washington D.C. for three (3) days. During this time, the youth meet Senators and Members of the House of Representatives as well as the Department of Labor where they are able to ask various questions regarding the barriers youth face in the community. They also take tours of the U.S. Capitol, the Library of Congress, the Supreme Court and various monuments.



Grant Donations

All grants and sponsorships go directly to develop programs and initiatives for disconnected youth within Riverside County.



Key Workforce Partnerships

Below are current workforce partnerships we have formed in order to better serve residents in our community:

- Riverside County Workforce Development Board
- Riverside County Economic Development Agency, Workforce Development
- Housing Authority of County of Riverside
- Riverside County Department of Public Social Services
- Riverside County Office of Education
- Riverside County Community College District
- Riverside County Department of Rehabilitation
- Employment Development Department (EDD)
- Youth Opportunity Centers
- Riverside Unified School District
- Local Employers and Businesses