YouthBuild provides job training and educational opportunities for at-risk youth while assisting in the construction or rehabilitation of affordable housing for low-income or homeless families in their own communities.

Applications Available Now
at Northwest Michigan Works! Service Centers

On the Web:
nwm.org/youthbuild

Or Call:
Cadillac Site: 231-876-1630
Petoskey Site: 231-622-8920

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Emmet / Charlevoix Counties
Homebase: Petoskey, Michigan

Wexford / Missaukee Counties
Homebase: Cadillac, Michigan

Now recruiting individuals 18-24 years of age who:
• Meet low income requirements
• Who have dropped out of high school -or-
• Are basic skills deficient

YouthBuild Features:
• GED preparation classes
• National construction certification
• Hands-on construction trades training
• Leadership development instruction
• Opportunities for community building and involvement
• Employment and post-secondary exploration and placement assistance
• Earning potential for participation
• Resource referral assistance (needs based)

Education
to acquire literacy and numeracy gains, secondary education credentials, industry-recognized credentials, and preparation for post-secondary career and education placements and completion;

Construction
that provides on-site skills training through well-supervised housing rehabilitation or construction work and leads to industry-recognized credentials for young people;

Counseling & Case Management
to assist students in setting and achieving their goals;

Leadership Development
through program decision-making, responsible leadership roles, and service to their communities;

Graduate Success
including career and/or college counseling leading to placement in education or employment and post-graduation follow-up to support retention and completion in these placements.

Build Your Future!