

YB YOUTH BUILD

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Goodwill Omaha's YouthBuild AmeriCorps¹ program assists young adults ages 16 to 24 who are looking to make a positive life change, obtain their GED certificate, learn construction skills, and become self-sufficient members of the community. The program also enables young adults to simultaneously serve their communities while building their own future.

YouthBuild Program Areas of Focus

Career exploration, planning, and action

- A personalized plan for growth while in the program
- One-on-one case management
- Job-shadowing and internship opportunities
- Post-secondary resources

Construction training

- Building houses and performing restoration work for low-income families
- Learning to work in a team environment
- Improving neighborhoods while doing community service

GED preparation classes

- On-site GED preparation classes
- Personalized academic plans

Leadership and life skills classes

- Asset-building for young adults
- A support system within the program
- Networking in the community
- Speakers and leadership opportunities

**Build a House.
Build Your Future.
Make a Difference.**



**Incentives Provided —
Earn While You LEARN!**

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YouthBuild Program Structure

The YouthBuild program runs Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Participants' days are split between the classroom and construction site. YouthBuild is a holistic program — participants will be asked to make a commitment to changing their lives.

Applicant Qualifications

- Age 16 to 24
- School dropout or basic skills deficient
- U.S. citizen or permanent legal resident

About Goodwill Omaha

Many people know Goodwill Industries, Inc., Serving Eastern Nebraska and Southwest Iowa (Goodwill Omaha), as a place to donate used clothing and household items or find great bargains. But you might not know the mission at the heart of our organization: We provide job training and placement services to people with disabilities and other disadvantages or barriers to employment.

The sale of donated items sold in Goodwill retail stores supports our mission programs. Here's how: People in the community donate gently used items to Goodwill. We sell those donated items in Goodwill retail stores. The proceeds from those sales subsidize our mission programs, giving thousands of individuals in the Omaha area the chance to earn a living, discover independence and succeed in life.

Goodwill provides opportunities through a variety of employment programs, including YouthBuild, Employment Solutions, and Work Experience. We also are affiliated with the federal AbilityOne program, which provides jobs at federal facilities to people with severe disabilities.

Goodwill is a private, 501(c)(3) not-for-profit agency governed by a local board of trustees. We are a member agency of Goodwill Industries International of Rockville, Maryland, and accredited by the [Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities \(CARF\)](#).

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