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HGCY provides flexible options designed to meet you where you are:

Explore Careers: Discover which jobs fit your skills and interest through events, job shadowing and more.

Build Skills: Learn while you earn with paid internships, training programs, and certifications.

Find Jobs: Apply for summer or year-round jobs that match your goals and help you succeed.

WHAT DOES HGCY OFFER YOU?

OPPORTUNITIES



Career Exploration

Learn about different careers and industries through hands-on experiences and events:

Career Fairs and Employer Meetups: Connect with companies hiring in your area.

Job Shadowing and Industry Tours: Spend time with professionals to see what a job is actually like.

College Visits and Training Info Sessions: Explore educational opportunities that align with your goals.

Internships

Get paid to gain real-world experience in an 8- to 12-week internship. Work 20-30 hours a week while earning \$10-\$15 an hour. These positions are available throughout the year and are a great way to explore your interests and build your resume.

Pre-Apprenticeships

Learn critical skills in a short-term, hands-on program. Pre-apprenticeships combine job shadowing, training, and projects to prepare you for a career.

**Programs last up to 3 months.
Earn weekly stipends of up to \$500.**

Summer Jobs

Find short-term summer work with local employers. These roles typically last about 8 weeks, starting at \$10 an hour. Applications open February through April.



On-the-Job Training (OJT)

Start earning while learning in full-time roles. OJT programs provide training on the job, with pay starting at \$12 an hour or more.

Education and Training Scholarships

Get support to cover costs for vocational or technical training. Scholarships of up to \$6,000 over two years are available for high-demand fields.

Registered Apprenticeships

Work and train in a structured program that combines paid employment with classroom learning. Wages increase as you gain skills, and apprenticeships lead to long-term career opportunities.

OPPORTUNITIES



RESOURCES FOR YOUR SUCCESS

HGCY provides resources to help you succeed in every step of your journey:

- **Job Readiness Training:** Learn workplace skills, like communication and teamwork.
- **Transportation and Clothing Assistance:** Get the support you need to show up ready to work.
- **Tutoring and Academic Help:** Stay on track while preparing for certifications or training.
- **Mental Health and Wellness Support:** Access tools and resources to stay balanced.
- **Mentorship:** Get guidance from professionals who care about your success.
- **Soft Skills and Leadership Development:** Build confidence and grow as a leader.
- **Industry-Based Certifications:** Prepare for certifications that make you workforce-ready.
- **Financial Literacy Workshops:** Understand how to budget and manage your money.
- **Employment Pathways:** Find jobs that match your skills and career goals.
- **Networking:** Connect with mentors and professionals in your field of interest.
- **Incentives:** Earn rewards for achieving milestones in your training or job search.



Sign Up: Create your profile on the HGCY portal.

Explore Opportunities: Look through internships, jobs, and training programs that interest you.

Prepare for Work: Join job-readiness workshops to learn the skills employers seek.

Apply: Submit your applications and start your journey.



HOW TO GET STARTED



WHY JOIN HGCY?



HGCY helps you:

*Build real-world skills while earning money.
Explore careers and discover what inspires you.
Gain confidence through hands-on learning.
Access resources to overcome barriers and succeed.*

TAKE THE FIRST STEP TODAY!

Your future is awaits! Visit the HGCY portal to start building the skills and connections essential for success.

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