



April 12, 2018 - - Workforce Alliance and the Meriden YMCA are pleased to announce that the Meriden YMCA will be operating the 2018 Summer Youth Employment Program for Meriden youth.

The Meriden YMCA has a rich history in providing comprehensive youth programs and services. With its numerous resources, the Meriden YMCA will be able to supplement program operations with additional activities and support for youth employment.

“We have enjoyed the cooperation and support of Lea Crown from the City of Meriden Health Department over the years. Now as the operations transitions to the Meriden YMCA, we want to reiterate that this is very much a city of Meriden program,” said Workforce Alliance’s John Brancato, who oversees youth programs in the South Central CT region.

“The Meriden YMCA looks forward to administering the continuance of this program and growing future employment opportunities for Meriden's youth,” said Steve Markoja Meriden YMCA Operation Director.

Workforce Alliance receives state budget funding to provide paid work experiences to youth ages 14-21 at public and private sector work sites throughout the South-Central CT region. In recent years, 23 communities participated on some scale. Workforce Alliance and its partners continue to look for opportunities to scale up the program through additional funding from the state or private donations that would allow for operation beyond the summer.

The Summer Youth Employment Program links local youth to first-time employment opportunities with business partners that return year after year. To apply for the 2018 Meriden program, contact Tammy Valk at the Meriden YMCA – (203) 440-3510. To see all Summer Youth programs in South Central CT, visit: www.workforcealliance.biz/youth/summer-youth-employ

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