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The Youth Action Hub (YAH), youthactionhub.org, has a part-time job opportunity as an **Action Researcher**. YAH is a coalition of young people across Connecticut working virtually to address the structural inequities driving youth homelessness. YAH is a part of The Institute for Community Research, a non-profit, community-based organization. This is an entry-level, remote position.

What would I do as an Action Researcher?

Action Researchers contribute to community-building between young adults and others working to end homelessness in Connecticut. Action researchers also conduct research to drive creative solutions around ending youth homelessness. Ongoing skill-building and mentorship are provided.

The tasks for this role will primarily fall under 4 main categories:

- **Research:** learning to conduct research and contributing to the research process in collaboration with our team. No research experience is needed.
- **Organizational Tasks:** keeping up a schedule, note-taking, ongoing communication with the team, outreach, training, information gathering
- **Virtual Drop-In Center:** providing peer support and moderating the virtual community space, contributing to a resource library, suggesting ways to improve the user experience
- **Youth Action Hub Network:** provide support to the project by providing feedback and ideas and attending some meetings (time permitting)

This role is funded for up to 10 hours per week. Mid-day to early evening availability is preferred.

What is the hourly pay? \$18 per hour

What are some perks of this job?

Action researchers at the Youth Action Hub can grow their careers on a team with others who have lived experiences of housing instability and homelessness in a flexible, empowering working environment. This work offers meaningful, collaborative experiences creating new solutions for youth and young adult homelessness. Action researchers will develop interpersonal skills like meeting facilitation and presentation delivery as well as other research-related and professional skills. This role also comes with exposure to the fields of research and the landscape of local and statewide community-based organizations and advocacy groups, including opportunities to connect with community leaders and advocates across the state.



Who would make a good candidate for this job?

We are looking for individuals who can commit to working a minimum of 4 hours each week and those with:

- **Passion and Motivation:** those who have a genuine enthusiasm for community-driven solutions to homelessness and housing instability and a willingness to learn to contribute to a research process
- **Strong Communication and Organizational Skills:** those who are able to keep an open and consistent line of communication with a team and stay focused while working independently
- **Excellent Teamwork Skills:** those who can collaborate, share ideas, navigate challenging conversations or professional conflict, and who contribute positively to and are invested in overall team dynamics
- **Relevant Lived Experience:** those who have recent experiences being a youth or young adult living in Connecticut in a temporary or unstable housing situation (for example: staying on someone's couch, moving from house to house, staying with friends for a short time, staying in a motel, or living in any temporary situation)



How do I apply? Complete a brief online job application by clicking this link or scanning the QR code to the left:

<https://bit.ly/3pcYDDU>

If you have any questions about this position, contact **Katelyn Owens at (860) 578-2315 and katelyn.owens@icrweb.org.**

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