

SUMMERWORKS SUCCESS:

GABE & AUDREY

SUPA FRESH YOUTH FARM: CREW MEMBERS

**"I wanted to start getting my life together and work towards my future career. Noah, my career coach, has been nothing but supportive."
-Gabe**

When I moved to Portland from Minnesota, a friend of mine told me about SummerWorks and I knew it would be a good environment to work on some of my personal goals.

I started working around age 15. I did dishwashing, then I worked with children and did some food handling. Coming to Supa Fresh has been a complete change of pace. It's been nice to work with people my age. My favorite experience has been just having fun and goofing off with my supervisors. They liven it up and I enjoy being around them.



Coming into SummerWorks, I knew I needed to start building myself up as an adult—getting my permit and planning for my future. My supervisor and career coach have been very helpful. We talk about my goals and what supports I might need.

I've met a lot of new people and have really started to come into myself as an adult. A lot is happening in my life right now, but Supa Fresh has helped me somewhat organize it all.



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**“Over the summer I’ve been given so much room and freedom to grow.”
-Audrey**

When I first heard about SummerWorks, I assumed the best. I knew it would be a great resource to help me build my own skills and become a successful adult. Through my work experience, I’ve feel closer to the community here at Supa Fresh. I used to be considered a runaway and definitely not an A-track student, but this year I’ve become the complete opposite and I’m even graduating early.

I couldn’t be more grateful for how much this SummerWorks experience has nurtured my potential. I’ve worked towards becoming a more punctual and responsible person. I’ve added a lot more structure into my life which has made taking care of myself easier.



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