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**Local Workforce Board Announces New Youth Program in City of Danville**

(Danville, VIRGINIA, April 24, 2023) The West Piedmont Workforce Development Board has announced the Danville Guided Career Exploration (D-GCE) program. This is a twelve-week paid job readiness and work experience program that connects 18- to 24-year-old Danville residents to career interest areas. Participants must not be enrolled in school at the time of program enrollment to be eligible. D-GCE, which is generously funded by the City of Danville and administered by the West Piedmont Workforce Development Board, kicks off Monday, April 17, 2023. Participants will receive hands on training by a local employer and make valuable connections with mentors, community partners and civic leaders throughout the program.

Those community members interested in participating should contact Youth Career Coach Keisha Averett at the Danville Virginia Career Works Center for more information. Her contact number is: 434.907.3724 and her email address is: kaverett@vcwwestpiedmont.org.

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