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Abundance of opportunities exist for youth this summer

During yesterday's meeting of the Community and Economic Development Committee (CED), the committee heard a communication file from various agencies relating to programs intended to engage Milwaukee youth during the summer months. The file, brought forward by **Common Council President Cavalier Johnson** and co-sponsored by the entire committee, sought to inform the public about the abundance of options available to engage youth as summer approaches.

"We often hear that there aren't many options for youth engagement over the summer months, and that this lack of opportunities leads to youth getting in trouble elsewhere. However, yesterday's presentation outlined the dozens and dozens of organizations offering programming for young people of all ages," said Alderman Johnson.

CED chairman **Alderman Khalif J. Rainey** shares the sentiment. "We have many youth-serving organizations in the city doing tremendous work and are offering young people a place to be during the summer, including a variety of paid opportunities. I would encourage families to prepare for summer by finding the option that works best for them," he said.

The communication file included presentations regarding the Earn and Learn program, MPS Rec opportunities, and information from Beyond the Bell and several partner organizations. A replay of the conversation detailing programming options can be accessed [here](#).

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Summer Youth Programming/ADD ONE

Earn & Learn is a summer youth employment program aimed at preparing young people in the City of Milwaukee to enter the workforce through authentic work experience with local businesses, nonprofits, and community and faith-based organizations. Applications are still being accepted for the Community Work Experience component of Earn and Learn. Additional info can be found at <https://city.milwaukee.gov/EarnandLearn>.

Beyond the Bell is a collaborative effort driven by service providers, funders, youth, policy makers and public institutions all committed to ensuring that youth have access to coordinated and quality programs and services. Visit <https://www.beyondthebellmke.org/> for more info, or click [here](#) to view their summer programming presentation.

Milwaukee Recreation's mission is to enrich and strengthen the community by promoting healthy lifestyles, personal development, and fun through memorable recreational and educational experiences. A variety of summer programming options including sports, arts and more are available and additional info can be found at <https://milwaukeeerecreation.net/>.