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THE RAPIDES FOUNDATION SYMPOSIUM

An annual gathering around a topic of importance.

2023 FOCUS: OPPORTUNITY YOUTH

**Thursday, September 7, 2023
3:00 p.m. (Doors open at 2:30 p.m.)**

Coughlin-Saunders Performing Arts Center, Alexandria, LA
(Also available through Zoom webinar)

THE PROMISE OF OPPORTUNITY YOUTH

The Rapides Foundation is working to address the high number of young adults ages 16 to 24 who are neither in school nor working.

Research shows that these young adults, often referred to as disconnected youth, have significantly lower incomes, are less likely to gain meaningful employment in the future and have poorer health outcomes than their peers.

Disconnected Youth are also referred to as opportunity youth because of their potential to succeed and contribute to their communities. The Symposium program, "The Promise of Opportunity Youth," will feature a panel of national experts who will define opportunity youth in the region, outline the challenges in working with this group of young people, identify best practices among strategies and share what is working in other places.



This program is free, but registration is required.
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