

# KADEN STEWART



YOUTHBUILD  
NORTH CENTRAL

*Randolph County Housing Authority*



*“Always try to find a different path before giving up on the things you want to do because there are so many different paths in life” -Kaden Stewart*

## YBNCWV Crew Member of 2017-2018

Kaden Stewart is a 2018 YBNCWV graduate. Before enrolling into the Youth Build program, Kaden was having a difficult time with peers because of his transgender identity. Kaden also suffered mental illness and missed a lot of school because of medical reasons—before he knew it, Kaden found himself in 9<sup>th</sup> grade for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row and at that point he made the tough decision to discontinue public schooling. Even though Kaden had the support of his mother to discontinue school, he didn’t want to quit on his educational success. After researching alternatives for education, with the support of his family, Kaden found Youth Build NCWV. Kaden and his family sought YBNCWV as a good alternative because Kaden would be able to obtain job skills, income and most importantly the TASC diploma. While in Youth Build, Kaden was able to obtain many certifications like OSHA, First Aid/CPR, Food Handlers and his TASC, which he tested for on his 17<sup>th</sup> birthday...

**“I told myself, this is my birthday present to me... I’m going to get this!” –Kaden Stewart.**

After graduating Youth Build, Kaden enrolled into Fairmont State University to pursue his dream in Arts.