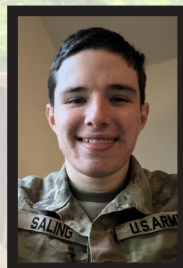


# WIOA Youth Program



**Sienna** arrived in Cherokee County at the age of 17 homeless, jobless, and no high school diploma. Through the partnership with the Bridge Academy of Tri-County Community College and the HIGHTS, Inc. WIOA Youth Program, she obtained her adult high school diploma, found a part-time job, housing and is currently attending college. At the graduation ceremony in May 2023, the college bestowed upon her the newly established Daniel Rattler Award for her excellent grades and achievements.

**Sean** was being raised by his grandparents. He struggled with the traditional school setting but flourished at the Bridge Academy. He obtained his adult high school diploma and is now proudly serving our country in the Army.



**Dakoda and Zander** obtained their adult high school diplomas through the Bridge Academy and WIOA.

**Dakoda** plans to go to college to study art.

**Zander** is currently in a work experience with a local auto dealer where he obtained his certification to conduct state vehicle inspections. He plans to work in the automotive industry upon completion of his work experience.



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