

Attend

Project Turn-Around

for
GED Preparation



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Project Turn-Around GED Graduates
You can be one too!

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Project Turn-Around (PTA), an outreach of Greater East Texas

Community Action Program (GETCAP), is a nonprofit organization which was founded in 1988 by a group of citizens in Nacogdoches County concerned with the education and social welfare of at-risk youth.

Our mission is to provide the keys to break through the destructive cycle of poverty and to improve the quality of life for our students by enhancing their basic education while building self-esteem and life coping skills.

The target population is from 17-32 years of age. However, 17 year olds must have a parent or guardian's permission to attend, and a 16 year old may attend only if court ordered. There is no upper age limit.

Project Turn-Around is a General Educational Development (GED) preparation program. Language arts, science, social studies, and mathematics are stressed to instill the educational skills necessary to earn a high school equivalency certification.

A student has the choice of attending the morning class from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon or the afternoon class from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Classes meet Mondays through Thursdays each week. There are no classes on Fridays.

Limited transportation is available. It is provided only for students enrolled in the morning class who do not have a way to get to PTA. Afternoon students must have their own mode of transportation.

There is no charge for anything that is done at Project Turn-Around. Also, PTA furnishes all of the necessary materials the students will need (pencils, pens, paper, calculators, computers, textbooks, pre-test, official practice tests, and one-on-one (individual) instruction. Not only does

PTA prepare students for taking the GED for free, but it will pay about half of the fee assessed by the official testing site. The total testing fee for the four tests that comprise the GED is \$145; however, PTA will partially reimburse the student with four \$25 Walmart gift cards.

After students have completed preparing for the GED at Project Turn-Around, they must go to an official testing site to take the test. Stephen F. Austin State University and Angelina College are the two closest sites.

At the end of each school year, Project Turn-Around has a graduation ceremony on the Stephen F. Austin University campus for those students who earned their GED that year. The caps and gowns for the graduation ceremony are furnished by PTA.

Potential PTA students are encouraged to come in any Friday for a brief orientation and to fill out enrollment forms. If Fridays are not possible, any other day will be satisfactory.