



The Canadian Council on Rehabilitation and Work is a national non-for-profit organization. Youth The Future is federally funded by the Youth Employment and Skills Strategy. Youth The Future is a program that partners with young adults between the ages of 15-30 living with disabilities and pairs them with employers to ensure a successful transition in the workplace. This program works well for youth who are facing difficulties finding work because of their disability or lack of relevant skills.

We are always looking for community partners who can promote our program and refer clients to us for employment support. Please feel free to share this program as our next cohort will begin on **Nov 28, 2022**

Here are some Key highlights about the Youth the Future program:

- YTF is a PAID youth program, we pay minimum wage
- 22-week employment program for youth between 15-30 years of age
- 8- weeks in classroom training (developing soft skills & employment documents). Youth are paid for their participation in this group setting for up to 30 hours a week at minimum wage
  - 30 hours week Monday-Friday
- 14-week employment experience
  - Minimum of 20 hours per week
  - 15 paid hours from YTF per week
- Designed to support youth who are not in school and not employed
- Applicants must identify as having a disability (no matter the degree)
- The goal of the following 14-weeks is to place each individual based on their strengths, abilities, and interests in a workplace where they can thrive
- Daily workshops focus on developing:
  - Customer Service, Stress Management, Conflict Resolution and Digital Literacy skills.
  - Targeted employment skills including resume and cover letter development, interview skills, and job coaching
- All youth will receive certifications in:
  - First Aid/CP
  - Safe Food Handling
  - Conflict Management
  - Digital Literacy Training
  - Stress Management
  - Customer Service training and more...
- Continued support and education on job accommodations for participants and employers



- YTF Client Supports:
  - Food Security throughout the YTF program (grocery cards)
  - Personal Care Packages
  - Interview Clothing
  - Transportation
  - Device – Laptop
  - Emergency Assistance (housing first/last, medical costs, dependent care, cellphones/plans)
  - Counselling, Job Coaching, Assessments and more...
- Completion Bonuses
  - 250 \$ end of 8-weeks
  - 500\$ end of 22-weeks

Interviews have already begun, please consider the highly competitive nature of this program and only individuals who are committed to finding employment should apply.

If you, members of your team or your youth clients have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. I can be reached either through email or phone!

Thank you and  
hope to hear  
from you!

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