



HOT TIPS

Labour Market

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Events

GT Hiring Solutions WorkBC Employment Services Centre

Island Health Employer Forum

Monday, November 6th
1:00 - 3:30 pm

GT Hiring Solutions (WorkBC)
101, 155 Skinner Street

island health

GT Hiring Solutions welcomes Island Health!

Island Health will be providing information on their hiring practices!

- Reasons to choose a career in Health Care
- Careers within Island Health
- Resume and cover letter tips
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To Register, contact your
Employment Services Advisor

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► **Education and Career Fair**
 Thursday, November 23, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Beban
 Park Social Centre, 2300 Bowen Rd, Nanaimo. Connect
 with 40+ schools and employers. More info at
<http://bit.ly/2kgovMJ>



Business Buzz

► A new film studio is slated for construction in Parksville. The studio will have 3 sound stages, office space and construction and prop shops. Two of the buildings have already been constructed, with a third building currently under construction and slated for use in early 2018. Two more buildings will be constructed and planned for use mid-2018. The studio construction, along with new courses being



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offered through North Island College focusing on various aspects of film production, will attract more production companies to the island <http://bit.ly/2gPlnFI>

► On Monday October 30 a public hearing was held regarding a zoning change to a section of land located at 846 Island Highway West. The applicant proposes to change the zoning status from Residential to a Comprehensive Development Zone, which would allow for the construction of a multiple dwelling building of approx. 20 units <http://www.rdn.bc.ca/application-no-pl2015-172>

► Cascadia Liquor will be opening in December in Nanoose Bay next to Quality Foods www.cascadialiquor.com

General LMI

► The annual State of the Island Economic Summit took place at the Vancouver Island Conference Centre in Nanaimo on Oct 25-26. An economic report was released during the conference which reviews the island economy from the past year, as well as the future economic outlook.

According to the State of the Island Economic Report 2017, overall, Vancouver Island is expected to benefit from continued growth due to immigration, residential construction, and consumer spending, although growth rates in some areas are slowing down. Tourism is also expected to contribute to growth although in lesser numbers than in the past several years due to lower growth in visitors. Forestry is projected to continue to perform well; however, declining timber supply is a concern and is likely to constrain growth in forestry production.

The unemployment rate on Vancouver Island dropped in 2016 and continued to drop in the first 6 months of 2017, it currently rests at one of the lowest unemployment rates throughout BC. The changes in the unemployment rate were accompanied by increases in employment. This suggests a tight labour market, and that employers may be experiencing difficulty filling vacant positions.

Infrastructure investments on Vancouver Island are being made in power generation, hospitals, transportation infrastructure, education and affordable housing. Major projects include; the John Hart Generating Station replacement in Campbell River, new hospitals being built in Campbell River and the Comox Valley, the Johnson Street Bridge replacement in Victoria, the Health and Science Centre expansion at VIU in Nanaimo, the construction of 103 affordable housing units in Victoria and the 130 bed Eden Gardens Seniors Housing development in Nanaimo.

Since 2014, labour force participation rates have increased for those aged 50+. This is consistent with improvements in labour market conditions and suggests that some people may be choosing to work longer.

The number of farms on Vancouver Island has declined by 6.7% between 2011 and 2016. Over 60% of the reduction was due to a decrease in farms with animal production. The number of farms growing vegetables increased, while the number of greenhouses, nurseries and floriculture operations declined significantly.

In the first four months of 2017, the export of salmon declined as compared to the same time period in 2016. In addition, a norovirus outbreak led to the closure of 5 shellfish farms on this island in the first half of 2017. Consequently aquaculture production in 2017 is expected to decline.

Housing prices rose significantly between 2016 and June 2017. Increases ranged from 16% in the Capitol Region to 21% in the Comox Valley.

This report will be posted on the [VIEA website](#) in the future. In the meantime the website is a great resource for regional information and statistics.

Local Job Leads and Postings

Parksville and Area

- ▶ Parksville Restaurant Server – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2h63z7g>
- ▶ Receptionist – Women's Only Fitness Centre – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2i1VxMi>
- ▶ Accounting Assistant - The Hill Group – Parksville <http://indeedhi.re/2h59v0b>
- ▶ Live In Caretaker/Customer Service Rep - ISLAND SELF STORAGE – Parksville <http://indeedhi.re/2h4OYsl>
- ▶ Motel Manager - Sandcastle Inn – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2h52Lzy>
- ▶ Developer java Hybris at Randstad – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2xMIEjG>
- ▶ Authorized Telus Sales Rep - Entry Level - Upstat Marketing – Qualicum Beach <http://bit.ly/2h6Er0j>
- ▶ Senior Performance Analyst- Resource Planning and Optimization – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2zN491i>
- ▶ UX/UI Designer/Developer – USNR – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2yMeo7P>
- ▶ Technical Support Engineer – USNR – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2gGOnAy>
- ▶ Autobody Technician – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2z79tj9>
- ▶ Oceanside Taxi Driver – Oceanside Taxi – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2i352uP>
- ▶ Clinical Technical Assistant – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2zEk3dC>
- ▶ Health Care Aide - Elizabeth Manor Senior's Home – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2xqVLTT>
- ▶ Bus Drivers - School District 69 – Qualicum - <http://bit.ly/2yMVOF3>
- ▶ Area Counsellor - School District 69 – Qualicum <http://bit.ly/2xqpcFq>

Nanaimo

- ▶ Upper Technician - Mr. Lube - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2h4GFgs>
- ▶ Auto Glass Certified Technician –Budget Glass – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2zS0D5J>
- ▶ Customer Representative - Part Time-Scotiabank- Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2y5SJZn>
- ▶ Medical Office Assistant - Wellington Medical Clinic – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2z9wimn>
- ▶ Member Service Representative – Coastal Community Credit Union – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2gEHwno>
- ▶ Scheduler - Eden Gardens - Nanaimo Travellers Lodge Society – Nanaimo <http://indeedhi.re/2zHlabm>
- ▶ Receptionist - Nanaimo Sheet Metal – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2za1bqG>
- ▶ Transport Clerk - Nanaimo Hospice – Nanaimo <http://indeedhi.re/2y7Xcek>
- ▶ Auto Technician/Mechanic-European Specialty Automotive – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2yQRzOD>
- ▶ Health Care Aide/ Licensed Practical Nurse/ Registered Nurse at Brylu Staffing Inc. – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2y2ogeT>
- ▶ Correctional Officers - BC Corrections – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2i32kFF>
- ▶ Real Estate Assistant - Mandy Colford - North Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2zP0K2h>
- ▶ Bookkeeper - Truss & Coastal Windows – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2i3zHYU>
- ▶ Lead Hand - Crossdock Warehouse - Central Island Distributors – Nanaimo <http://indeedhi.re/2yPXBrd>
- ▶ Labourer – Flooring Company – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2h9nD8O>
- ▶ Cook - Canadian Armed Forces – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2h6cHZA>
- ▶ Truck Owner Operators - Team RV Express <http://bit.ly/2ldls8t>
- ▶ Western Forest Products – <http://www.jobs.net/jobs/westernforest/en-ca/all-jobs/>

Maintenance Superintendent	Nanaimo, BC
Management Development Program	Nanaimo, BC
Processing Superintendent, Planer	Nanaimo, BC
Project Manager, Capital Projects	Nanaimo, BC

- BC Public Service - Job Opportunities <http://bit.ly/2tnsQSA>
- Forests Lands Natural Res Ops STO 24R - Provincial Engineering Systems Nanaimo Specialist & Civil Technologist

Port Alberni and Other Areas

- Career Opportunities: Courier - Casual – Life Labs - Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2ixnMGH>
- Heavy Duty Mechanic/Welder - Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2yJb91q>
- Marine Technician - Alberni Power and Marine - Port Alberni <http://indeedhi.re/2zNFycP>
- Branch Manager - Westland Insurance Group Ltd - Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2gGYkxb>
- Self-loading logging Truck Driver - Dumas Trucking Ltd - Port Alberni <http://indeedhi.re/2et5Kni>
- Marine Fibreglasser – Pro Active Services – Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2umMkHu>
- Maintenance Superintendent – Port Alberni – Western Forest Products <http://bit.ly/2h6T03Z>
- Optimization and Control Specialist - Western Forest Products <http://bit.ly/2zB95pc>
- Assistant Manager -Job Number #17103 - Port Alberni RCMP Victim Services - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>
- Port Alberni Letter Carrier (Delivery Agent) – Canada Post – Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2yOfK1J>
- Electronic-Optronics Technician – Land - Canadian Armed Forces <http://bit.ly/2iwqCvC>
- Army Communication and Information Systems Specialist <http://bit.ly/2yfbNRJ>
- Casual Education Assistant - School District 70 - Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2unh6fa>
- Overdose Prevention Worker - #17112 - Port Alberni Shelter Society - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>

Camp Jobs

- Heavy Duty Maintenance Mechanic - HAYS Specialist Recruitment (Canada) Inc. – Central BC <http://bit.ly/2y2lchN>
- Road Builder - Zapper Contracting Ltd. Fort St. John <http://bit.ly/2yaHiyM>
- Class 1 Lease Operators/Drivers - Prestige Hauling Ltd. Western Canada <http://bit.ly/2yTvBMT>
- Log Loader Operator – Zapper Contracting – Fort St. John <http://bit.ly/2hBqnvb>
- Coil tubing hands -Titanium Tubing Technologies - Lloydminster, AB <http://bit.ly/2ySZMUC>
- Self-Framing Construction – Calgary, AB <http://bit.ly/2ySPMdY>

Job Search Tips

- Five things to watch for in a job posting (that many candidates miss) <http://bit.ly/2gDd3Kb>