



HOT TIPS

Labour Market

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Events

► Building Service Worker Training

February 19 to March 16, 2018, Vancouver Island University, Duncan
Vancouver Island University is offering FREE training for unemployed and employed (low-skilled or underemployed) individuals. Funding provided by the Government of Canada through the Canada-British Columbia Job Fund. More information at <https://pdt.viu.ca/employment-skills-and-support>

► Security Guard Enhanced Training

February 28 to March 27, 2018, Vancouver Island University, Nanaimo
Are you interested in a career as a security guard, private investigator, security consultant, or burglar alarm agent? Tuition and materials are available for participants that meet the criteria of the program. Funding for transportation may be provided. Funding for this training program will be administered by Vancouver Island University's Professional Development & Training (PD&T) Department. More information at <https://pdt.viu.ca/employment-skills-and-support>

► The Career Centre is hosting the following variety of workshops, in addition to their regularly scheduled workshops. If you are interested in attending please contact the Career Centre to sign up at (250)248-3205.

Creating Your Own Employment – Feb 28th

For anyone who even vaguely mentions they might be interested in self-employment, even if they say they are introverted! We bust a few myths and discuss a variety of options to add self-employment to their life from full-time, part-time and even as a side hustle. Self-employment comes in various shapes and sizes! We even look at online businesses and employment proposals. It's all about assessing personal fit and business ideas. We usually have a guest speaker.

Implicit Career Search 3-day Workshop - March 14 - 16

Move from Confusion to Clarity!

Implicit Career Search (ICS) is a 3-day workshop designed to assist you in developing a comprehensive career plan. Uncover what it is you want to contribute to the world, and how you are going to get paid for it! Move your life from confusion to clarity by clearly defining who you are and what you will contribute with your life's work. Develop a simple, attainable life and career plan based on purpose.

► Vancouver Island Wood Industries Forum

Friday, March 23, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm, Cowichan Exhibition, 7380 Trans Canada Highway, Duncan



The Employment Program of British Columbia is funded by the Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia.

VIEA's first ever Island Wood Forum & Showcase at the Cowichan Exhibition Park. This event will introduce builders, contractors, designers, engineers, architects, developers and property managers to a broad range of interior and exterior wood products being manufactured on Vancouver Island. Those directly involved in wood manufacturing will also be able to share ideas on how to strengthen and diversify value-added manufacturing on Vancouver Island. The Industry Forum will feature four sessions between 9:00am to 12:00 pm focused on 'next steps' to take advantage of emerging industry opportunities and to find solutions to persistent challenges.

► **WorkBC Job Fair in Nanaimo**

Thursday, April 5, 2018 12:30 pm – 4:00 pm, Vancouver Island Conference Centre, 101 Gordon Street, Nanaimo, BC

Featured Employers Include:

- Iverson Forest Management Inc.
- Canadian Armed Forces
- Western Canada Marine Response Corp.
- GT Hiring Solutions
- Origin at Longwood
- STEP/ITA
- Island Health
- Cabela's
- Nordia Inc.
- Boys & Girls Club - Central Vancouver Island
- Peace River Hydro Partners
- BC Corrections
- Footprints Security
- Eden Gardens
- Nanaimo Association for Community Living
- ... more to come!

Please bring resumes and be prepared for an interview!

► **2017 Hiring Fair hosted by the Career Centre**

Thursday, April 12, 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Parksville Community and Conference Centre, 132 East Jensen Ave, Parksville, BC.

Looking for work? The Career Centre invites you to attend our Hiring Fair. Connect with employers hiring in many sectors. Bring your smile & your resume.

- Connect with local employers in many sectors
- Dress for success and bring your resume
- Find out about current and future job opportunities
- Get prepared by attending a workshop
- Network and market yourself
- You could get interviewed on the spot

A list of attending employers will be posted in an upcoming Hot Sheet.

Business Buzz

► The province announced 30 new paramedics and three ambulances will be added in Nanaimo and its surrounding communities. The BC Emergency Health Services (BCEHS) says 24 full-time paramedics will be hired in Nanaimo. Parksville, Qualicum Beach and Ladysmith will all have two full-time positions created. The health ministry says the Nanaimo area is one of the first to be reviewed by the BCEHS because of high emergency call volumes and patient transfers and a low number of regular full-time staff. "With growing call volumes and few full-time staff this investment only makes sense," Health Minister Adrian Dix said in a release. "We are improving services the community counts on and ensuring paramedics are there when people need them." The province also announced improvements to staff scheduling for coverage at peak times. <http://bit.ly/2sfjoka>

► Nanaimo's most vulnerable and at-risk residents will soon have a new place to stay. The BC ministry of municipal affairs and housing announced Thursday a new \$7 million, 44-unit modular housing project will be built in south Nanaimo on Cranberry Ave., beside Chase River Elementary School. Municipal affairs and housing minister Selina Robinson said in a release the province is paying for the cost of the development while the City is providing the land. "Solving the housing crisis affecting people in Nanaimo...won't be easy, but when we work together and work quickly, we can create safe, affordable homes for people who need them," she said. This project is similar to the existing Uplands Walk supportive housing project operated by Pacifica Housing, where quickly built individual units are stacked to look like an apartment complex. Dean Fortin, executive director of Pacifica Housing, said the new development will offer supports and services to help people re-organize their lives, such as making sure they get to specific meetings, set up and keep all their appointments and learn necessary life skills. There will also be group training and meal programs. It's hoped construction on the complex can begin this spring. <http://bit.ly/2FNvb6i>

► A proposed development which would transform the northern gateway to Nanaimo is one of three projects set to significantly boost housing stock in the city's north end. The City is reviewing a permit application for a three building, 146-unit rental apartment development on the empty lot at 6975 Island Highway North, behind the Woodgrove Crossing Shopping Centre. Lainya Rowett, the City's manager of current planning, said the four-storey buildings would add a long-awaited street presence on a "gateway property." She anticipated a development permit would come before Council soon. Councillors will be asked to approve a parking variance, reducing the number of stalls from the required 243 to 171. The developer indicated potential for a phase two development on the same lot in the future. Rowett said the property was previously zoned for commercial use, which would have prompted the need for improvements on Mary Ellen Dr. However, a residential development would draw less traffic and the only access to the site is off the Island Highway.

Meanwhile, two other notable north end projects are progressing. On January 15, Council approved a development permit for a four-storey, 59-unit rental project at 5085 Uplands Dr. A parking variance allowing for 30 less spaces than required was also approved for the development behind Northridge Village....Staff are also reviewing an application for two, five-storey buildings with 98 multi-family units and some commercial space at 6540 Metral Dr., across from Home Depot. That application has yet to go to Council and will require a parking variance of 61 less than required. All of the proposals still require building permits. <http://bit.ly/2nF4XAS>

General LMI

► Hundreds of people with disabilities will be able to achieve greater independence and find meaningful employment, thanks to the extension of the Province's popular Technology@Work program.

More than 1,140 people have already accessed Technology@Work, where people with disabilities can get the assistive technology they need for employment. A \$2 million investment from the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction and \$1 million from the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training will support the one-year extension of the program, which has been operated by the Neil Squire Society since May 2015.

The program has provided assistive technologies, such as mobility supports, alternative keyboards, voice input equipment and workplace modifications to people province wide. The Neil Squire Society also provides expertise and advice to employers who are, or want to be, more accessible and inclusive.

"We are excited that the Province of British Columbia has extended this important program," said Gary Birch, executive director of the Neil Squire Society. "We look forward to continuing to provide our expertise in assistive technology and ergonomics to workers and volunteers across British Columbia."

Quick Facts:

- September 2017 marked the fourth-annual Disability Employment Month in BC, celebrating the contributions of people with disabilities in the workforce, and the employers and communities who support their success.
- About 334,000 British Columbians, ages 15 to 64, self-identify as having a disability.
- There are 84 WorkBC Employment Services Centres throughout the province that serve British Columbians, including people with disabilities.
- The President's Group, an advisory group to government, is a change-driven network of 22 BC business leaders committed to working with private sector employers to help increase employment opportunities for people with disabilities.
- 47% of Canadians with disabilities aged 15 to 64 years are employed, compared to 74% of people without disabilities.

For more information about the Technology@Work program, visit: www.BCTechAtWork.ca

<http://bit.ly/2E3KTyd>

► The BC film and TV sector's last fiscal year can be summed up in one word: blockbuster. Production volume on the West Coast reached an all-time high of \$2.991 billion in the 2016-17 fiscal year, according to the Profile 2017 report released February 2 by the Canadian Media Producers Association (CMPA). Gains in foreign productions totalled more than \$700 million, while domestic productions increased by \$100 million last year, helping BC overtake Ontario as the largest centre for film and TV production. BC accounted for 36% of production volume in Canada compared with Ontario's 35% (\$2.977 billion). BC also surpassed Ontario in terms of employment after year-over-year job growth increased 39.5% from 43,620 full-time equivalent jobs to 60,870 full-time jobs. Meanwhile, Canadian TV productions from producers based in BC increased 26% to \$504 million, while the volume of theatrical films from local producers increased 92.7% to \$79 million. <http://bit.ly/2E3zwKN>

Local Job Leads and Postings

Parksville and Area

- ▶ Labourer for Asphalt Paving Company - Haylock Bros Paving Parksville <http://bit.ly/2E2EkQG>
- ▶ Experienced and New Landscapers – Thrive Landscaping - Parksville, Qualicum Beach <http://bit.ly/2nJB9Cw>
- ▶ Line Cook - Black Bird Schnitzel Haus - Qualicum Beach <http://bit.ly/2DTFpWR>
- ▶ Admin Assistant - Osprey Electric Ltd. – Parksville <http://indeedhi.re/2nFzMpo>
- ▶ Casual Support Worker - Parksville Weather Shelter – Island Crisis Care Society – Parksville <http://indeedhi.re/2B8Z5HP>
- ▶ Insurance Advisor - Westland Insurance Group – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2sciNiP>
- ▶ Landscape Gardener/Grounds Crew - Fairwinds Golf Club - Nanoose Bay <http://bit.ly/2BdWOer>
- ▶ Line Cooks - Qualicum Beach <https://nanaimo.craigslist.ca/fbh/d/line-cooks/6483101685.html>
- ▶ Insurance Representative, Level 2 – Coastal Community – Parksville <http://indeedhi.re/2Eqc4qE>
- ▶ Tow Truck Driver - Qualicum/Parksville <http://bit.ly/2EteVze>
- ▶ Kitchen Manager – Parksville <http://bit.ly/2C3IOSi>
- ▶ Pool and Spa Service Apprentice - Ocean Pool and Spa – Parksville <http://indeedhi.re/2FVewCs>
- ▶ Stone Mason - The Sharp Design Landscape Group Ltd. – Parksville <http://indeedhi.re/2nOPJZi>
- ▶ Program Leader - Part Time Boys and Girls Clubs of Central Vancouver Island – Lantzville <http://indeedhi.re/2GW1ztv>
- ▶ False Bay School Clerk Spare - School District #69 Qualicum – Parksville <http://indeedhi.re/2E895DH>
- ▶ Grocery Clerk - French Creek - Save on Foods – Parksville <http://indeedhi.re/2nP4n2U>

Nanaimo

- ▶ Western Forest Products – <http://www.jobs.net/jobs/westernforest/en-ca/all-jobs/>
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| Processing Superintendent, Planer | Nanaimo | 2/5/2018 |
| Quality Control Supervisor | Nanaimo | 2/1/2018 |
| Infrastructure Support Analyst | Nanaimo | 2/1/2018 |
| Assistant Accountant | Nanaimo | 2/1/2018 |
| Sawmill Supervisor | Nanaimo | 1/29/2018 |

- ▶ BC Public Service - Job Opportunities <http://bit.ly/2tnsQSA>

Department ⇅	Job Title ⇅	Location ⇅	Open Date ⇅
Public Safety & Sol General	Correctional Officer - Applicant Inventory*Closing Date Extended*	Nanaimo	01/02/18
FLNRO and Rural Development	BIO 30R - Research Section Head	Nanaimo	01/29/18
FLNRO and Rural Development	LSO OTHR 4 - Research Section Head	Nanaimo	01/29/18
Env & Climate Change Strategy	STO 21R - Water Quality Technician	Nanaimo	02/02/18
Public Service Agency	ADMN O 18R - Recruiter	Nanaimo	01/26/18

- ▶ Hiring Painters - Hawthorne Construction – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2nEwgCR>
- ▶ Drivers & Movers - 2 Burley Men Moving Ltd – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2EJOqD9>
- ▶ Loss Prevention Investigator - Wise Way Security – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2BXn7IM>

- ▶ Screening Officer - Nanaimo Airport – Nanaimo <http://indeedhi.re/2nLVBCS>
- ▶ Therapeutic Community Counsellors (Addiction) - Nanaimo Region John Howard Society – Nanaimo <http://indeedhi.re/2nHVHeC>
- ▶ Sales Representative - Nanaimo Renovation Company – Nanaimo <http://indeedhi.re/2EHMpar>
- ▶ Yard Worker - Roto-Rooter Plumbing & Drain Service – Parksville <http://indeedhi.re/2saHRXM>
- ▶ CBSA Officer Trainee - Developmental Program - Canada Border Services Agency – Nanaimo <http://indeedhi.re/2EjqGl9>
- ▶ Steel Stud Framer – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2E2M0Tc>
- ▶ Climbing and ground crew positions available for tree service - Branching Out Urban Forestry – Qualicum Beach <http://bit.ly/2E41zdd>
- ▶ Pharmacy Assistant (PA) - Shoppers Drug Mart - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2E6Ubhe>
- ▶ Journeyman Millwright – Coastland Wood Industries – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2nsYNTz>
- ▶ Tire Technician – Fountain Tire - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2FO0rXu>
- ▶ Hook Tender - Clipper Contracting Ltd. - Shawnigan Lake <http://bit.ly/2BVUoh7>
- ▶ Log Loader Operator – Clipper Contracting Ltd. – Shawnigan Lake <http://bit.ly/2s9nLNr>
- ▶ MOA in Specialist Clinic – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2E5EyCL>
- ▶ Drywallers and Tapers - KTO Drywall - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2FOeJY5>
- ▶ Stock Service - London Drugs – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2GPUo62>
- ▶ Internal Store Inspector/Retail Auditor - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2nGly6d>
- ▶ Mental Health Program Assistant - Vancouver Coastal Health – Nanaimo <http://indeedhi.re/2BHA2N6>
- ▶ Service Truck Driver -Fountain Tire - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2ElnJ1D>
- ▶ Eavestrough Installation Crews –Peak Installations Inc. - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2nNq82V>
- ▶ Pharmacist Manager (RPh) - Long Term Care - Centric Health Corporation <http://bit.ly/2EpQHFY>
- ▶ Accounting Assistant - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2nRpLEv>
- ▶ Bookkeeper/Office Administrator – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2EaOz1g>
- ▶ Experienced Gravel Truck & Pup Driver - Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2E9061h>
- ▶ MOA in Specialist Clinic – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2EMf3r2>
- ▶ Warehouse/Countertop shop – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2EK1lZr>
- ▶ Crane Operator – Roofmart – Nanaimo <https://bitly.is/2EbxyYT>
- ▶ Production Assistant & Safety Coordinator - K2 Stone Quarries, Inc. – Nanaimo <http://indeedhi.re/2nRqWEe>
- ▶ Service Appointment Coordinator - Gain Group – Nanaimo <http://indeedhi.re/2BJd6gk>
- ▶ Plumber's Apprentice – Nanaimo <http://bit.ly/2E8uBUN>
- ▶ Class 1 Drivers in the Nanaimo Region - DCT Chambers <http://bit.ly/2E9ViZg>

Port Alberni and Other Areas

- ▶ Western Forest Products – <http://www.jobs.net/jobs/westernforest/en-ca/all-jobs/>
- Maintenance Supervisor Port Alberni, BC 1/30/2018
- Optimization and Control Specialist Port Alberni, BC 2/1/2018
- ▶ Log Truck Driver - A long-time Log Haul Contractor on Vancouver Island – Kurt Leroy Trucking - Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2Ex4h7Z>
- ▶ Family Therapist - Job Number #17460 - Kackaamin Family Development Care - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>
- ▶ Addictions Counsellors - Job Number #17458 - Kackaamin Family Development Care - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>
- ▶ Residential Care Workers - Job Number #17457 - Kackaamin Family Development Care - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>
- ▶ Building Attendant/Maintenance - Job Number #17456 - Canadian Mental Health Association - Port Alberni <https://avemployment.ca/>

- ▶ Emergency Medical Responder or Primary Care Paramedic – BCEHS – Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2E2IBkd>
- ▶ Executive Assistant to the Chief Administrative Officer - Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District <http://bit.ly/2nECIT4>
- ▶ Administrative Support Assistant Student Affairs - North Island College - Port Alberni <http://bit.ly/2E7SRHq>

Camp Jobs

- ▶ Hydrovac Operators and Assistants - Badger Daylighting – Fort McMurray <http://bit.ly/2CR2ol2>
- ▶ Class 1 Semi Operators - Cabana Trucking – Conklin <http://bit.ly/2FBtoFU>
- ▶ Industrial Insulators - Remote Camp Job – Panels and Pipes - Fort Hills Site - <http://bit.ly/2FOddoR>
- ▶ Heavy Duty Mechanic – Grasslands area - Atmore, AB <http://bit.ly/2EqB9BA>
- ▶ Log Truck Driver -Screamin Eagle - Prince George <http://bit.ly/2qLzuky>
- ▶ Water Truck Driver - K&R Site Services - Northern Alberta <http://bit.ly/2BdjGuw>
- ▶ Coil Tubing and Picker Services - B & T Spooling Ltd. - <http://bit.ly/2DEt4Xk>
- ▶ 10 Millwrights-Maintenance 7/7- with Camp – CMAW <http://bit.ly/2nMH8Xc>
- ▶ Roadside and Stumpsides Processing Contractor - Summer 2018 - KDL - Mackenzie area <http://bit.ly/2E7SRHq>

Job Search Tips

- ▶ 10 Job Search Tips to Help You Find Your Best Opportunity in 2018 <http://bit.ly/2B9k9xU>