



# Jobs and More...

January 3rd, 2024

*"There's a champion in all of us, it's how you chose to find it." -  
Mark McMorris (Canadian Professional snowboarder)*

**Jobs you may  
have missed...**

**Newspaper Carriers** – The News (PQB)

**Support Worker** – Arrowsmith Cornerstone

**Warehouse Manager** – Parksville & District Chamber of Commerce

**Delivery Driver / Warehouse Person** – Parksville & District Chamber of  
Commerce

**Apprentice Well / Water Systems Technician** – Fyfe Well & Water  
Services

**Room Attendant - Parksville - Summer 2024** – True Key Hotels & Resorts

**Construction Estimator** – Pickard Construction

**Maintenance Technician** – Arrowsmith Lodge

**Welder GMAW/GTAW** – CANEV

**Siding Installer** – Distinctive Exteriors inc.

**Customer Service** – Terminal Auto Body

**Taxi Dispatcher / Driver** – Electric Taxi Limited



## Be Your Own Boss!

Starting a business can often be the best way for a person to get back into the workforce.

[Find out more here!](#)



## Support for Success

As a Career Centre client, you may be eligible for personal counselling sessions in support of your employment goal. Please speak with your Employment Consultant to learn more.



New Jobs posted daily on our  
**Career Centre Job Board**

*[Click here to view over 80 different industry Job Boards!](#)*





### TIP of the Month

#### WHY JOB SEARCH IN JANUARY?

It's important to keep up your momentum and actively job search during this time. Here are some reasons to continue to job search during January...

Are you considering a career as a **Pet Groomer?**

Learn about potential positions and what you might expect to earn on the **Career Profile**.

### Career Discovery Quizzes

Learn more about yourself and explore what careers might be the best fit for you! Assess your talents, identify your work preferences, and explore your interests with WorkBC's **Discovery Quizzes**.



## FREE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH!



### **BladeRunners is Back!**

**Improve your skills!  
Prepare for employment!**

**Need help finding work?** If you are a youth (16-29 yrs) not attending school full time and are interested in preparing for employment in the retail and hospitality industry, this program may be just the right fit for you!

Gain life skills, job readiness training and earn **FREE** industry recognized certifications such as *First Aid, WHMIS, Serving It Right* and *Cashier Training*.

#### **Program Dates:**

February 5 to March 1, 2024

• 4 weeks, Mon-Fri

• 8:30am-4:30pm

Call 250.248.3205 to set up an appointment.

Learn more  
here!

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## ***Pathway to Trades is also Back!***

### **Prepare for Employment in the Construction Industry!**

Individuals 16-29 years old may be eligible for this **FREE** program which will prepare participants for entry level employment in construction.



Gain life skills, job readiness training and earn **FREE** industry recognized certifications including: *Occupational First Aid (Level 1)*, *WHMIS*, *Fall Protection*, *Aerial Lift Training* and more!

#### **Program Details:**

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4 weeks, Mon-Fri

Hands on carpentry instruction

**Paid** onsite work experience

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**Check out our NEW workshops!!**

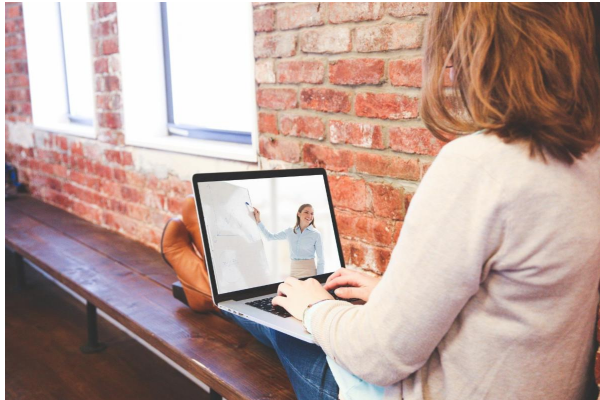
***Effective Workplace Communication; Critical Thinking and Problem Solving; Emotional Intelligence for the Workplace; and Managing Conflict - How to Resolve Disputes and Build Trust*** are several new workshop topics which may be of interest!

You can attend in-person or via Zoom.



**Call to Register: 250.248.3205**

(Times and dates vary from week to week to accommodate other programs so please ensure you register and confirm.)



**Don't feel like going out?**

**Learn at your own pace from the comfort of your home!**

**Check out these FREE opportunities for Online Learning:**

*Resume Essentials, Acing the Interview and Cover Letters.*



#### **How to answer the hardest job interview question**

Every interviewer will ask this one. Unfortunately, most of us won't come up with a great response.

#### **New study shows BC new car dealers drive economy**

A new study underlines the significant impact of BC's New Car Dealers on the economic and social fabric of British Columbia during a period in which the industry faced significant post-pandemic challenges. If you are considering a career in this industry, the Workforce Profile on pages 17 and 18 may be of interest to you.

#### **Minimum rates increased on January 1 for farm workers who hand harvest crops**

Minimum piece rates for hand harvesting of specified farm crops increased by 6.9% on Monday, January 1, 2024.

#### **B.C. reinforcing manufacturing sector on Vancouver Island**

New funding for manufacturing businesses on Vancouver Island will increase advanced manufacturing capabilities. VMAC Global Technologies Inc. of Nanaimo is one of the employers to benefit from the program. **Employment opportunities at VMAC can be viewed here**

#### **B.C. lightkeepers wanted: A rugged, romantic job**

For over a year, a **job posting** for coastal B.C. has been open, as lonely as a light keeper on some solitary rock.

#### **Navigating AI in the Job Search Process**

With the increased attention and usage of Artificial Intelligence (AI) Tools

such as ChatGPT and Google BARD, it's important to consider how these tools can help in the job search process and where to proceed with caution. (Source: Yale University)

## In Case You Missed It...

### **Student Outcomes (Data from 2020 to 2022)**

Each year, tens of thousands of former post-secondary students are asked about their educational experiences, subsequent employment, and further studies. Find out what former students are doing one to two years after their B.C. post-secondary education.

### **Aqua Terre Spa at Pacific Shores Resort and Spa**

As of December 1<sup>st</sup>, Aqua Terre Spa has opened at The Pacific Shores Resort. Although the property is not currently recruiting, it's always good to be aware of what opportunities which might come about.

### **Harvard-trained psychiatrist: Everyone needs these 3 new skills to succeed in today's workplaces**

To succeed in today's workplaces, you need to showcase resilience, social connection and mattering, says Kellerman, a Harvard-trained psychiatrist and executive at employee coaching platform BetterUp.

### **'Wow I've done this': Homeless Parksville man finds new purpose as one man clean team**

If you missed this story on Chek News or haven't seen Jayson along the highway yourself, we thought it was a good news story to share. Volunteering is an excellent way to get noticed and create opportunities for yourself. Some places you might consider volunteering include **North Island Wild Life Recovery Centre**, **The SOS**, **The Tutoring Program**, **The Parksville Community Centre**, and **The Forward House Community Society**. If you are not sure where to start building experience and connection, reach out to your local **WorkBC Centre** for assistance!

### **What is the StrongerBC future skills grant program?**

The StrongerBC future skills grant is open to British Columbians aged 19 years or older – regardless of financial need – and covers up to \$3,500 in eligible short-term skills training at public post-secondary institutions. Find out what public post-secondary institutions qualify [here](#).



#### **Employer of the Month is BC RCMP!**

Learn more about the organization, and what they are looking for in an employee!

#### **The Tutoring Program**



**Free one-on-one tutoring** is available at the Career Centre for adults needing assistance with reading, writing, English as a second language, math, or basic computer skills.



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