

## NEW WESTMINSTER



### SERVICES FOR EMPLOYERS

When people hear the words WorkBC, the first thing that comes to mind is services for jobseekers. Would you be surprised to learn that we have services to help businesses grow? We support the recruitment process and connect employers with local jobseekers through our hiring fairs. And if you haven't heard of the *WorkBC Wage Subsidy* program, it's time to learn more about it. It's an opportunity for us to help you cover a portion of your eligible new employees' wages. Through the wage subsidy, you could qualify for support to re-hire laid off employees, hire new employees and connect with WorkBC clients looking for work experience and job opportunities. That means more money stays in your business. Call us 604-522-9701 to discuss the wage subsidy program in detail.

#### Office Hours:

Monday/Wednesday/Friday

8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Tuesday / Thursday

8:30am - 6:00pm

*All services are available virtually.*

*Please contact our office at*

*604-522-9701 for details.*



### Business Resources:

- BC Small and Medium Sized Business Recovery Grant - [www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/economic-recovery/business-recovery-grant](http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/economic-recovery/business-recovery-grant)
- WorkBC Wage Subsidy - [workbc.ca/Employment-Services/Wage-Subsidy.aspx](http://workbc.ca/Employment-Services/Wage-Subsidy.aspx)
- WorkBC Employer Training Grant - [www.workbc.ca/Employer-Resources/BC-Employer-Training-Grant.aspx](http://www.workbc.ca/Employer-Resources/BC-Employer-Training-Grant.aspx)
- New West Chamber of Commerce - [newwestchamber.com](http://newwestchamber.com)

## Conversations with Chris. Career Exploration.

Whenever I've spoken to clients about taking our Career Exploration workshops I've always focused on how it will assist them in the discovery of occupations they may not have thought of before. In some instances I've mentioned how you will define skills or strengths you have to offer or sometimes I even dare say they might learn something new about themselves.



Therein lies the main issue.

If I was to pitch to a client that these workshops are more like self-exploration rather than career exploration I probably would have less people sign up. Some of us spend so little time thinking about ourselves and what makes us unique! Our values, interests, skills, and experience makes us who we are and who we are is what we are marketing to employers.

The word career pops up all over the place and can mean different things to different people. But a career includes all of the work, learning, and leisure activities that you are involved in throughout your life. This means that exploring and planning your career isn't separate from the rest of life – your work is closely connected to other life roles and skills you've developed in other life roles are useful at work.

So yes Career Exploration is about helping you define occupations but it's also about helping you define yourself. This is a lifelong process that focuses on helping you make choices to help you manage your work and personal life. Good career planning requires information about you, the world of work and putting aside space to reflect on what has come before, where you are now and what you hope to achieve in the future is such a rewarding experience that will not only give you confidence and help you focus on what is important but it will save you time and money. Who doesn't want that?

*\*\* Chris is a Workshop Facilitator in New Westminster. \*\**

"You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream."

*C.S. Lewis*



## Hot Jobs

- IT Administrator / Production Workers - PNP Pharmaceuticals
- Housing Outreach - Seniors Services Society
- Early Childhood Workers - Purpose Society of the Lower Mainland
- Casual Community Health Worker - Fraserside Community Services
- Scheduler/Planner - Tree Island Steel
- Account Associate - Raymond James

*These positions are active as of the date posted and are provided to us by our employer partners. For information and details please contact our office.*

## Community CONNECTIONS:

Our partner the New Westminister Chamber of Commerce is hosting the Platinum Awards on April 15. Do you know a business that deserves to be recognized? Nominations are open. Visit [newwestchamber.com](http://newwestchamber.com) and nominate a business!

## Upcoming Events in March

- Workshops
- Mar. 11 - Newcomer Employment Event
- Mar. 23 - Employer Speaker Series with Raymond James & Tree Island Steel.



*\*Workshops are open to all Case Managed clients. See website calendar for details. Registration is required for ALL Sessions.*

*Please register for Employer Speaker Series events on [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com).*



## Connect with us

Currently our services are available virtually. For information contact us:

604-522-9701

[info-newwestminster@workbc.ca](mailto:info-newwestminster@workbc.ca)

[www.workbccentre-newwestminster.ca](http://www.workbccentre-newwestminster.ca)

Apply for services from home! Visit <https://apply.workbc.ca/> to apply.

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