

Toronto Youth Job Corps (TYJC)

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What is Toronto Youth Job Corps?

TYJC is an on-going and cost shared program administered by the City along with the federal government. It provides an intensive five weeks pre-employment preparation program and subsidized job placements for up to 16 weeks. It serves unemployed and out-of-school youth, 15 to 30 years of age who are experiencing barriers in gaining access to employment or other vocational-related opportunities.

How was the Toronto Youth Job Corps Model Developed?

TYJC is a value added program model designed to work in partnership with employers, training providers, community organizations, schools and the federal government in providing group-based employment skills training and work experience interventions to youth who have a sporadic or non-existing employment history. The program is currently delivered by four agencies: Arab Community Centre of Toronto, JVS, West Scarborough Neighbourhood Community Centre, and Youth Employment Services (YES).

The TYJC model is comprised of two unique interventions that focus on the development of life and employability skills. The first intervention, Employment Skills Training (EST), provides in-house workshops and seminars tailored to participant needs and a community project for employment skills development. The second intervention, Quality Employment Opportunity (QEO), includes a direct placement with an employer for up to 16 weeks. Throughout the interventions, staff will assist youth in obtaining the skills and resources required to address employment barriers and identify personal strengths, which can be applied vocationally. The group-based program model provides opportunity for youth to develop leadership skills and to participate in problem solving in a group setting. The participants would then be supported in seeking a work placement an employer to obtain real work experience. On-going support is provided throughout the program and upon completion to ensure that the program graduates can embark on their next step toward their long term vocational goals.

What are the goals of Toronto Youth Job Corps?

- to help youth overcome barriers to employment
- to help youth develop a broad range of skills and knowledge in order to participate in the current and future labour market
- to promote education and skills development as being key to labour market participation

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TYJC – Employer Support Contacts (Free Service)

If you are an employer connected to a local BIA and would like more information on how to hire seasonal, full & part time job seekers, you are welcome to connect locally here for support with your hiring needs either through the TYJC initiative or additional programs offered within each agency below. Subsidized placements available for employers / job seekers who are eligible. To find out more about this simple process and to ensure your business qualifies, please connect directly with one of the recruiters below.

JVS Toronto

Address: 1911 Finch Ave. W., Unit 3, North York, ON, M3N 2V2

Main Phone: 416-636-2481

Recruiter: Allen Stern

Recruiter Contact Information: 416-649-1644 / astern@jvstoronto.org

The Arab Community Centre of Toronto (ACCT)

Address: 555 Burnhamthorpe Rd, Suite 209, Etobicoke, ON M9C 2Y3

Main Phone: (416) 231-7746

Main Email: info@acctonline.ca

Recruiter Name: Sari Alhousaini

Recruiter Contact Information: Sari Alhousaini, Placement Supervisor
416-231-7746 ext. 211 / 647-528-1391 / sari@acctonline.ca

West Scarborough Neighbourhood Community Center

Address: 313 Pharmacy Ave. Scarborough ON. M1L 3E7

Main Phone: 416-615-1049

Recruiter: Muna Mohamed

Recruiter Contact Information: 437-684-2871 / munam@wsncc.org

Youth Employment Services YES

Address: 783 Lawrence Ave. W. Unit 8 and 9 Toronto, ON M6A 1C2

Main Phone: 416-789-5236

Recruiter: Dorina Ciobanu, Job Developer

Recruiter Contact Information: 647-932-6784 / dorina_ciobanu@yes.on.ca