

Durham Region Unemployed Help Centre

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Welcome

Through 100 Issues of Employment E-News, we have been keeping you connected and informed with the latest local, provincial and national employment news.

Every month, we deliver information about job postings, webinars, community resources, job search tips, networking opportunities, local employers, job/career fairs, success stories, labour market, and more.

After 9 years, it's time for a little change. In our next 101 issue, we are giving e-news a new look and segmenting it into two newsletters.

To ensure that the information you receive is relevant to your career objectives, we will have a newsletter for job seekers and another dedicated for employers.

[Connect with us.](#) We can help you achieve your employment and hiring goals.

Labour Market Information

The Government of Canada (GC) recently released a report titled [Canada – A learning nation: A skilled, agile workforce ready to shape the future.](#)

Outlined in the report was the importance of access to timely, relevant, reliable labour market information and tools for Canadians to make informed learning and training decisions related to their current and future careers.

Following this report a [new partnership was announced](#) between [Future Skills Centre](#) and the Labour Market Information Council (LMIC). The partnership was formed to assist frontline organizations in accessing tools and insights to help Canadians navigate career choices. The goal is to utilize new technology and processes to share quality information with Canadians in real time.

According to the report, the nation will need to be flexible and responsive to the rapidly changing labour market.

Collaboration from stakeholders will help shape an LMI system that is accessible and effective for Canadians.

[Read "LMI: Alone, we can go fast—but together, we can go far".](#)

Black History Month

February is Black History Month.

Black Ontarians have enriched our province and made Canada a vibrant country.

Did You Know?

Lincoln Alexander was the first Black Canadian MP, Cabinet minister and Lieutenant Governor of Ontario. The Honourable Lincoln Alexander was a trailblazer who fought for racial equality and justice in Canada.

The [Underground Railroad](#) was a secret network that helped enslaved African Americans escape into free states and to Canada? [Click to watch a video shared by the Ontario Black History Society.](#)

Hiring at Lowe's and Rona

Lowe's Canada is hiring 7,000 workers across Canada. A series of national and regional hiring events, for both part time and full time workers, will be taking place over the next couple of months.

In preparation for the home improvement industry's busiest season, the retailer offers candidates a choice of online or in-person interviews.

Available positions include: Receiving Clerks, Sales Associates, Sales Specialists, Administrative Support and Merchandising.

New associates will receive training and mentoring directly related to their positions.

Applicants can answer a series of pre-recorded questions, or book a time slot for a live video interview with a member of the company's recruitment team. [Click for more information about positions at Lowe's.](#)

Pandemic – Newcomers

TRIEC recently highlighted a webinar held by CERC Migration about the impact of COVID-19 on Newcomers.

Some of the challenges highlighted by the Conference Board of Canada were as follows:

Disproportionate job loss amongst Immigrants, particularly women.

Even as sectors recover, immigrants have returned in small numbers.

Pandemic exacerbates the newcomer problem of underemployment and unemployment.

Will employers hire newcomers as the economy begins to recover?

HIP-T Series for Newcomers

Newcomers, learn what employers in the Local Government Sector are looking for.

Join HIP-T (Hiring Immigrant Professional Talent) via Zoom Thursday, February 25, 2021 from 2pm-4pm.

This online event will have representatives from the Regional Municipality of Durham, City of Oshawa, and other employers local government.

During this event you will be able to:

Speak directly with employers

Build your professional network

Gain valuable insights on recruitment strategies for current and future positions.

[Register to Attend.](#)

Watch for more HIP-T events in the coming months for job seekers in Self-employment and the Future of Work.

Contact our HIP-T Coordinator to stay connected and informed:

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Stats Canada Hiring 32,000

Statistics Canada is hiring 32,000 people across the country to join the 2021 census team.

One thousand positions are available for entry-level, supervisory and managerial office jobs. [Click for more.](#)

Free WHMIS Training

Get ahead of the competition and register for free WHMIS training.

You will receive your certificate of completion and assistance in preparing an effective cover letter and resume tailored to your desired occupation.

[Click to Register.](#)

Job Search Webinars

Do you need help with Financial Literacy? Laid off? Interested in a Second Career?

We can help you with all aspects of your job search! Attend our online workshops:

Resumes & Cover Letters

February 17 at 1:00pm

[Click to Register](#)

Second Career Application Process - PT 2

February 18 at 10:00am

[Click to Register](#)

WHMIS Training Certification

February 19 at 10:00 am

[Click to Register](#)

Financial Literacy with Credit Canada

February 22 at 2:00 pm

[Click to Register](#)

Ace Your Interviews

February 23 at 1:30 pm

[Click to Register](#)

Labour Market Information

February 24 at 11:00 am

[Click to Register](#)

Second Career Preparation - Manufacturing

February 25 at 10:00 am

[Click to Register](#)

Mentorship Partnership Newcomer Orientation

February 5, 2021 at 2:00pm

[Click to Register](#)

CLC Calling for Racial Justice

The Canadian Labour Council (CLC) is the national voice of Canada's labour movement and brings together unions representing 3.3 million workers.

Canada's unions marked Black History Month by [calling for racial justice in pandemic response and recovery](#).

Hassan Yussuff, President of the CLC stated: "The double crisis of a global pandemic and outcries over racial injustice and police violence have taken a significant toll on Black communities in particular. We must move forward together and ensure no one is left behind."

Amazon in Ajax

A massive Amazon development is coming to Ajax this fall.

A one-million-square-foot Amazon fulfillment centre is being constructed at Salem and Rossland roads.

Ajax Mayor Collier stated: "This expedited timeline ensures that Amazon and all supporting businesses will be reaping the benefits of their newest facility as quickly as their construction team can build it... It's truly a win-win for business."

The project will create about 1,000 jobs. Hiring should begin this Spring.

[Learn more in the DurhamRegion.com article.](#)

Wellness Checks for Seniors

There are seniors agencies in the community that provide wellness checks, and can deliver groceries and prescriptions for isolated seniors.

[If you need help or are worried about a loved ones mental health, call 2-1-1 for support.](#)

Fastest Growing Roles

What are the fastest growing employment positions in 2021?

According to Randstad Canada's Career Forecast for 2021, customer service representatives, delivery drivers and retail workers are at the top of the list.

The pandemic has also made the shortages of health care workers even more acute.

[Read the HR Reporter article.](#)

Job Opportunities

[Construction Labourers](#)

[Installer and Servicer](#)

[E-Commerce Manager](#)

[General Labourer, Landscaping](#)

[Bookkeeper](#)

[Baker](#)

[Operations Manager, Manufacturing](#)

[Produce Clerk](#)

[Store Manager](#)

[Retail Store Supervisor](#)

[Maintenance Manager](#)

[Facility Operations Manager](#)

Go to our [Job Portal](#) for more job postings.

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We honour, recognize and respect this nation and Indigenous Peoples as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we meet today.