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Get funding to hire young Canadians for summer jobs in 2018!

Employers in Nickel Belt can now submit funding applications for Canada Summer Jobs 2018

NICKEL BELT / GREATER SUDBURY – A summer job is an important way for young Canadians to develop their skills, gain valuable work experience and earn money to pay for their tuition. To get more young Canadians working next summer, all not-for-profit organizations, public-sector employers, and small businesses with up to 50 employees can now apply for funding from the Government of Canada.

The Canada Summer Jobs (CSJ) program creates summer job opportunities which provide valuable work experience for full-time students aged 15 to 30 who intend to return to their studies in the next school year. Nickel Belt received $655,685 of Canada Summer Jobs funding in 2017, which helped to create 233 summer jobs, and in 2016 CSJ provided $633,071 in funding to Nickel Belt which led to the creation of 302 summer jobs for students aged 15-30.

Providing good quality jobs helps small businesses and not-for-profit organizations while also supporting our local priorities and community development (https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/funding/canada-summer-jobs/local-priorities.html) but all eligible applicants are encouraged to apply. Employers are invited to submit applications that complement this year's national priorities:

- Employers who intend to hire youth who are in underrepresented groups, including new immigrant youth/refugees, Indigenous youth, youth with disabilities and visible minorities;
- Small businesses, in recognition of their contribution to the creation of jobs;
- Organizations that support opportunities for official language minority communities ;
- Organizations that provide services and/or supports the LGBTQ2 community; and
- Organizations that provide opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) and Information and Communications Technology (ICT), particularly for women.

The application period runs from December 19, 2017, to February 2, 2018.

Not-for-profit employers can receive 100 percent of the provincial or territorial minimum hourly wage. Public-sector employers and small businesses with 50 or fewer full-time employees across Canada can receive 50 percent of the provincial or territorial minimum hourly wage. All employers may be eligible for additional funding of up to $3,000 per student with disabilities to accommodate the student within the workplace with personal tools and adaptations that the student requires to accomplish tasks.

For more information and to apply, please visit Canada.ca/Canada-summer-jobs or a Service Canada Centre.

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"The experiences and skills that Nickel Belt's youth will learn from their summer jobs will provide valuable experience for their future careers, and create an opportunity to save for their education and living expenses. I encourage local not-for-profit organizations, public-sector employers and small businesses to apply for funding through the Canada Summer Jobs program. Helping young Canadians develop their skills and gain valuable workplace experience will ensure a strong economy and a healthy middle class."
– Marc Serré, Member of Parliament for Nickel Belt

"Canada's young people are not just the leaders of tomorrow – they are leaders today. That's why the Government of Canada is creating summer jobs for more young Canadians than ever. We know that when young people can get great work experience early in their careers, we're helping ensure they have the best possible shot at success."
– The Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Labour

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