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WORKBC CENTRE TERRACE NEWSLETTER-FALL 2025

WELCOME

At WorkBC Centre Terrace we believe that everyone has a place in the workforce. We are here to assist you to find that place. We hope that our newsletters have helped keep you updated on the latest employment news and trends, providing you with useful information in your job search. It is a great way for us to keep in touch and share information that will help you along the road to employment.





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## STEPS TOWARD SUCCESS: ERIKA'S CAREER JOURNEY

By Abhishek Dhand and Kali Clark



Before coming to WorkBC Centre Terrace, Erika worked as a General Manager in the food and retail industry. During that time, she gained a lot of skills in leadership, organization, and customer service during that time.

"After moving to Thornhill, BC, I found it difficult to find employment while being a full-time stay-at-home mother, nanny, cleaner, and personal chef," Erika explains.

When Erika connected with WorkBC, her goal was to gain further skills and certifications that could support both her job search and her interest in possible self-employment. She also valued the guidance and encouragement she found at the Centre. She shares, "I also use WorkBC to access a sense of community and guidance in seeking a permanent full-time career or job."

Through the supports offered by WorkBC Centre Terrace, Erika successfully completed Food Safe Level 1 and will soon begin Food Safe Level 2. These

certifications are opening doors for future employment, while also giving her the flexibility to explore entrepreneurial opportunities. Erika describes how this assistance has made a real difference in her life:

"WorkBC, and more specifically, Rose Dubeau, has helped me this year to gain certification in Food Safe Level 1 and to start soon Food Safe Level 2 in order that I may be employed or that I might use it for self-employment purposes. As a mother who stays at home and doesn't have much access to funds, Rose has closed the gap by providing the necessary funds through government supports."

From her experiences, Erika shares: "In Victoria, Vancouver, and in Terrace, BC I love WorkBC for its commitment to helping job seekers connect to employers and vice versa."

Currently, Erika continues her job search and has recently applied for a position in the social services sector. She is motivated by the idea of working in a field where she can make a meaningful impact and is eager to build a permanent, full-time career.

We are proud of Erika's persistence and commitment, and we look forward to supporting her as she takes the next steps in her journey. Her story is a reminder that with hard work, support, and community resources, new opportunities are always within reach.

## What is Disability **Employment Month?**

Disability Employment Month is an opportunity to celebrate the contributions made by people with disabilities as well as the employers and business who support them. Raising awareness can help create more diverse and inclusive work environments that help people with disabilities gain independence, make their own money, and contribute to their communities. BC celebrates Disability Employment Month in September. October is recognized nationally as Disability Employment Awareness Month.



## **Assistive Technology Services**

Have you heard about WorkBC Assistive Technology Services?

Assistive Technology Services provides equipment and devices to help individuals thrive in the workplace.

This support is available to those who have work-related barriers due to disability or a functional limitation.

To learn more about Assistive Technology and eligibility visit the WorkBC website <a href="https://www.workbc.ca/discover-employment-services/assistive-technology-services">https://www.workbc.ca/discover-employment-services/assistive-technology-services</a>

## Customized Employment: What is it?

Customized Employment is a personcentered approach to job creation that benefits both the job seeker and the employer. Instead of trying to fit someone into a traditional role, a new position is developed based on the individual's strengths, interests, and support needs while meeting the real needs of a business.

It's not about lowering expectations — it's about building the right opportunity.

Support may include:

- Customized job development and employer negotiation
- Unpaid work experience assessments
- · On-site job coaching and training
- Ongoing support to ensure success
- Help with assistive equipment or technology
- Wage subsidies and short-term skills training

Customized Employment opens the door to inclusive, meaningful work — by focusing on what people *can* do.

Contact us to learn more about this great opportunity!

"A hero is an ordinary individual who finds the strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles." - Christopher Reeve.

#### **WORKBC CENTRE TERRACE WELCOMES NEW STAFF**



Hi I am Navjot Singh, and recently joined the WorkBC Terrace team as Employment Resource Advisor. I moved to Terrace from Punjab, India and have recently completed my Post Degree Business Diploma at Coast Mountain College.

In my role, I enjoy helping clients with their job search, resumes, career planning and connecting them to local opportunities and supports. I am especially passionate about making newcomers and job seekers feel welcomed, heard and empowered.

Outside of work, I love cooking, going for runs, learning new skills and staying connected to the community through volunteering. I am truly excited to be a part of a team that values inclusivity, growth and meaningful impact and I look forward to expanding my skills toward future opportunities in case management and community leadership.

## LOOKING FOR HELP FINDING A JOB?

Did you know WorkBC Centre Terrace offers FREE support to help you land your next job?!

If you're job hunting or thinking about a new career, we're here for you. We have two kinds of services:

- **Self-Serve:** Open to everyone come in to use computers, our job board, and see local labour market information.
- Employment Services: For people that are unemployed or don't have steady work. If you qualify for this service, you can meet with an Employment Advisor in person or online where they can help with resumes, job search, career planning, skills training and more.

Plus, no matter what type of service you are using, you **may be eligible** for financial supports to help you start your next job including work clothing, work gear, and transportation supports.

Get started today — your next opportunity is waiting!

### Valuable links for your job search

**WorkBC Job Board** 

https://www.workbc.ca/Jobs-Careers/Find-Jobs.aspx

Indeed https://ca.indeed.com/

**WorkBC Centre Terrace** 

https://workbccentre-terrace.ca/jobs/

Here is the link to apply with Newmont Mining Ltd at the Brucejack and Red Chris mines sites <a href="https://www.newcrest.com/careers/current-opportunities">https://www.newcrest.com/careers/current-opportunities</a>

Some links to updates regarding the Cedar LNG project: <a href="https://www.cedarlng.com/jobs/">https://www.cedarlng.com/jobs/</a>

Interested in taking a Workshop?

For information about our in-person workshops you can find the workshop poster on our Facebook page - <u>WorkBC Terrace</u> or our webpage <u>workbccentre-terrace.ca</u>

Contact us at 250-638-8108 for more information.