



Comox Valley BladeRunners: Construction & Trades Training Program Information Sessions

When: April 27, 2015: 10am or 2pm

Applicants must attend one session to be eligible for the program. No need to pre-register for attendance. This program runs from May 11 to October 16, 2015

Where: 300 Old Island Hwy., Courtenay - BladeRunners Office (beside the Linc).

BladeRunners is a Youth Skills Link program that builds community partnerships and connects motivated, job ready youth with valuable employment opportunities in the construction and trades industries.

Eligibility requirements:

- Youth between the ages of 16-30 and not attending school.
- In need of assistance to overcome employment barriers.
- Must be a Canadian citizen or legally entitled to work in Canada.
- Not in receipt of Employment Insurance (EI) or be EI reach back active (not have collected EI in the last 3 years).

BladeRunners will:

- Participate in four weeks of full time paid in-class skill enhancement.
- Participate in up to 60 hours of paid work exposure.
- Be eligible to employers with a \$3 per hour wage subsidy for 4 months.
- Obtain First Aid OFA Level 1, WHMIS, Traffic Control, Forklift, and additional employment based training & group based employability skills.

Employers will:

- Receive 60 hours of free work exposure participants paid for by NYSA.
- Receive a \$3.00/hr wage contribution based on a minimum \$10.50/hr wage.
- Connect with job ready and motivated youth.

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