

The VOICE of Albertans with Disabilities

Non-Profit Careers Video

Do you feel the frustration about being no closer to achieving your professional dreams? If you question your ability to experience something new or a sense of achievement, you might need to make a change. Now is the time to take a chance, think outside the box, and try a new path to success. Your choices in life define you. A Career in Non-Profit will take you somewhere you have never been.

A career in non-profits is a great life option. #NonProfitCareers

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RsyekL5a_ Gs&feature=youtu.be



Disability Related Employment Supports

Disability Related Employment Supports (DRES) funding is available to pay for supports that help Albertans overcome barriers to education or employment caused by a disability.

Types of supports

DRES is offered in 3 categories.

- 1) Job search supports
- Job search supports help Albertans with disabilities aged 16 and older seek employment.
- Supports may include a sign language interpreter so that an individual with a hearing impairment can attend a job interview.
- 2) Workplace supports
- Workplace supports help Albertans with disabilities

aged 16 and older make successful transitions into the workplace, maintain employment, and enable their full participation in the workforce.

• Supports may include a job coach, worksite modification or assistive technology.

3) Educational supports

- Education supports help learners with disabilities who are out of the kindergarten to grade 12 school system. These supports prepare learners with disabilities for employment through post-secondary education, basic skill training, academic upgrading or labour market programs.
- Supports may include sign language interpreters, tutors, note takers, and assistive technology such as software programs specific to the disability.

Eligibility

To be eligible for DRES supports and/or services an individual must:

- have a diagnosed and documented permanent or chronic disability that creates a barrier to education, training and/or employment
- be an Alberta resident
- be a Canadian Citizen, permanent resident, or refugee under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act
- be legally entitled to work and/or train in Canada
- intend to work
- be eligible for DRES through an Employability Assessment and have a Service Plan



How to apply

To start the application process, visit or contact your



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nearest Alberta Supports or Alberta Works Centre. Call the Alberta Supports Contact Centre for more information about this program: Phone: 780-644-9992 (Edmonton) Toll free: 1-877-644-9992 (provincewide) TTY numbers, ask to speak to Alberta Supports: 1-800-232-7215 TTY provincewide; 780-427-9999 TTY Edmonton

https://www.alberta.ca/disability-related-employment-supports.aspx

Ian Young

Ian Young became permanently disabled in 2004, a series of strokes left him with mobility, speech, coordination challenges and an acquired brain injury, after nearly a year of hospitalization and rehabilitation, Ian was independent enough to live alone in the community.

Ian quickly became aware of challenges the disability population faced, he quickly got involved on a municipal level, then he spent 6 years as a board member and 1 year as an advisor for The Voice of Albertans with Disabilities, a provincial agency, being the representative for CCD which gave him the opportunity and knowledge to see the workings of the organization.

A human rights enthusiast, Ian completed a Human Rights Facilator Program with The John Humphrey Centre of Peace and Human Rights in 2015, In 2019 Ian began attending classes at The University of Alberta in Humanities.

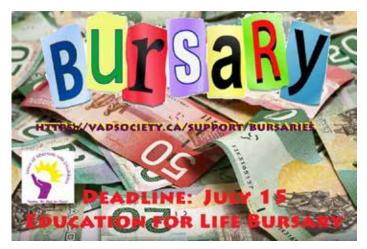


Having contributed to many boards, been guest speaker at many forums, even addressing The House of Commons in Ottawa, he is very honoured to be involved.

Ian is also a columnist for an Edmonton Community Newspaper, penning a column called "Community and Ability"

Eagerness and learning make Ian excited to serve with the CCD Executive Council, as he is quoted as saying "As 1 we are a voice, as 2 we are a concern, as a group we become an action"

www.ianyoung.ca



Education for Life Bursary

To mark the occasion of our 25th anniversary in 1998, Voice of Albertans with Disabilities initiated the Education for Life Bursary program. With this program, we support students who have a disability to achieve their post-secondary goals. Submit a completed application form to VAD by July 15. Information available at: https://vadsociety.ca/support/bursaries

Third Annual Run for Life

CSP is hosting their third annual Run for Life on Sunday, Sept. 27, 2020! Run for Life will be a virtual event this year. Anyone who has lived experience or who is pas-

sionate about suicide prevention is welcome to join us for a (virtual) journey from darkness into light: Walk or run to remember your loved one and raise awareness for suicide prevention.

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This year's event will consist of:

- A virtual walk or run (5 or 10 km) anywhere, anytime between Friday, Sept. 25 and Sunday, Sept. 27
- A LIVE program on Sunday, Sept. 27 from 7 8 am MT

How to participate:

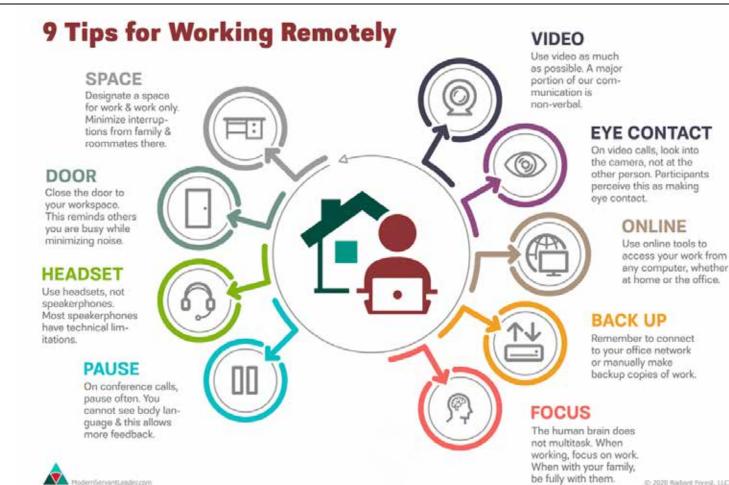
Register online for the virtual event.

Complete your run or walk anywhere and at anytime between Friday, Sept. 25 and midnight on Sunday, Sept. 27, 2020. Remember to take a photo once you've finished! Join us LIVE on Sunday, Sept. 27 from 7 - 8 am MT for our virtual Run for Life program on Facebook and Instagram live (@cspyyc). Upload your photos to Facebook or Instagram using #RunforLifeAB and tag @cspyyc, or email to runforlife@suicideinfo.ca.

Commemorate a loved one

If you've lost a loved one to suicide, send in their photo at the time of registration or to runforlife@suicideinfo.ca with that person's name so we can commemorate them on Sunday, Sept. 27.

https://www.suicideinfo.ca/runforlife/



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Strive 4 Work

Virtual 8 Week Training Session

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Strive 4 Work is delivering the next 8 week training session virtually!

Employment skills development and training facilitated through an online video conferencing platform. A great opportunity to increase your skills while staying safe at home!

Eligibility Criteria

- Experience a barrier to employment (medical condition, permanent injury, disability, mental health issue, etc.)
- NOT eligible for Employment Insurance (EI)
- Must be 18+

No Computer or Internet? No Problem!

Accepted participants are provided with ALL materials needed to complete the online training.



APPLY TODAY Program starts June 29, 2020

To apply or for more information call: 780-777-5834

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