

A Great Program from ALDA - Adult Learning Development Association!

For at-risk-youth ages 15 through 30 who are out of school, have multiple barriers to employment and a suspected or diagnosed learning disability or learning difficulty.

Eligible participants must be legally entitled to work in Canada.

Priority will be given to youth who have not completed high school.



ALDA's Youth Prep Program is specially designed for youth-at-risk who are suspected of having learning disabilities/difficulties and other concomitant conditions.

Youth Prep teaches valuable employability skills and will help participants to develop realistic goals and strategies for employment attainment and retention. These individuals can face multiple barriers to employment due to educational, social and other deficits which arise as a result of a previously undisclosed disability.

Participants gain an understanding of their disability through a process of formal and informal assessments and group based and individualized employability and life skills "Key2 E" workshops held in our offices. They then get an opportunity to learn to use their strengths and abilities in various work experience placements.

Each participant is matched to a variety of employers for short-term work experience placements of up to 5 weeks. A Golden Opportunity to pick-up the valuable yet sometimes subtle skills that can only be learned in an actual job, in a real workplace.

Youth Prep's Key2 E (Key to Employment) workshops use an active learning model where participants not only learn new skills, but also become more self-directed as they become more independent by "learning to learn". Key2 E increases their self awareness and self management skills and enhances their employability and job readiness skills. The short-term work experience placements continue this active learning, by giving them the opportunity to "learn to work".

Youth Prep assists participants in development of a long term goal for their future employment success while being responsive to the evolving opportunities and demands of the local labour market. They gain wisdom, experience and real work -experience of value to put on a resume. Help open doors of opportunity for youth-at-risk. Help to instill in them the assurance that they are capable of being successful in the workplace, and provide them with the supports needed to accomplish their employment or training goals.

- Enrollment is limited to eighteen participants (three groups of six)
- Youth Prep is a 24 week program for registered participants.
- Best of all, Youth Prep participants get paid* to attend! (*minimum wage)

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