



## CommunityWorks Canada®

CommunityWorks Canada® (CWC) is a federally funded program that provides opportunities for teens with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) to work with a wide range of community partners and develop employment readiness skills.

This innovative program incorporates a 1:1 peer mentor support model that provides an opportunity for high school students with ASD between the ages of 15 and 21 years to practice and enhance social skills in a community environment. Participants develop key competencies necessary for workplace readiness and employment success that include job specific tasks and social relationship skills. It also serves as an opportunity for the participants to foster lasting friendships.

### Eligibility requirements:

- **Have a valid Social Insurance Number**
- **Not receiving or eligible to collect employment insurance**
- **Motivated to seek a volunteer or paid employment opportunity**
- **Academic skills at Grade 7 or higher (i.e., reading, writing, receptive language, etc.) with verbal abilities to handle a couple back and forth conversational exchanges**

**An initial screening assessment will be conducted to ensure appropriateness of program application.**

**Dates:** September 7 to November 22, 2017 | January 4 to March 22, 2018 | April 5 to June 21, 2018 (12 Week Sessions)

**Time:** 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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