

# Work Supports

## Description

Work Supports program provides eligible clients with work related supports to assist them with seeking, obtaining, or maintaining employment. Work supports may be provided to assist clients engaging in paid employment; combination of paid and non-paid; or volunteer work opportunities.

## Eligible Participants

All applicants must:

- Be a resident of the province;
- Be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident entitled to work in Canada;
- Participate in Case Managed Services of assessment and employment planning;
- Have an active employment plan that assists in the achievement of the client's employment goal prior to supports being issued; and,
- Have completed a Client Consent Form for the exchange and release of information.

Participants may be unemployed individuals; or employed, low-skilled individuals. This includes individuals in receipt of Income Support.

## Eligible Benefits

Benefits provided must support identified challenges to job search and obtaining/maintaining employment and assist in the development of the individual's Employment Plan.

Available supports may include:

- Start-up allowance - to be used to cover such costs as work required clothing and safety wear.
- Relocation for work - one-time costs, by the most economical, appropriate, and efficient means possible, may be considered for transportation for an individual to move to employment.
- Trade Tools (includes equipment for work).
- Additional Required Costs - to be used for such purposes as to conduct job search, interview attendance, work required medicals, certificates of conduct and other required fees in relation to the start of employment.

## How to Apply

An employment plan must be developed at a local Employment Centre.

### For additional information

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