

## Settlement

## Employment

## Language

## Skills Development

**Enhanced Language Training (ELT)**

FREE eight weeks of free English classes to improve sector-specific language skills, job search assistance, and a six-week work placement to gain Canadian experience. TTC tokens are provided to those who are eligible. Classes offered at different locations in Toronto.

**Main Office:**

• 515 Consumers Rd., Suite 103, Toronto

**Tel:** 416-395-3669 | 416-395-8270

**E-mail:** elteemployment@tdsb.on.ca

**Website:** www.elt4employment.ca

**Essential Skills Upgrading**

FREE non-credit upgrading program helps adults improve reading, writing, math, and use of digital technology for further education, employability and workplace skills. Many locations across Toronto.

**Regional Offices:**

• **Toronto West:** 416-394-3809

• **Toronto South/Central:** 416-393-1995

• **Toronto East:** 416-396-6904

**E-mail:** upgrading@tdsb.on.ca

**Website:** www.upgrademyskills.ca

**Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada (LINC)**

FREE English classes for Newcomers. Many locations across Toronto with full-time and part-time classes (evenings and weekends at some locations). Free Care for Newcomer Children (CNC) provided at all locations while parents are attending classes.

**LINC Assessment Hotline:** 416-925-5462

**Website:** www.linctoronto.ca

**Newcomer Services**

The Malvern location provides FREE settlement services for newcomer youth (ages 13+), adults, seniors, and persons with disabilities. Services include information and referrals, workshops and one-on-one assistance on various settlement needs.

• **Malvern\*** - 416-396-4631

31 Tapscott Road, Scarborough  
(\*On-site child care\*)

**Website:** www.tdsb.on.ca/communityservices

**Next-Steps Employment Centres**

FREE employment services and supports for job seekers of all ages/skill sets as well as employers looking to hire.

In addition to their ongoing services, sites offer **Youth Job Link** to clients between ages 15-29, so they can access job matching, career exploration and job readiness services.

Employers can also contact the Next-Steps **Canada-Ontario Job Grant (COJG)** office at 416-395-8422 or 416-395-8414 to find out more about this grant, which provides funding to businesses for training existing employees or new hires.

Visit or call the location nearest you:

• **Don Mills** (inside the Peanut Plaza)  
3030 Don Mills Road, Toronto  
416-395-5101

• **Downsview**  
3701 Chesswood Dr., Suite 100, Toronto  
416-395-9559

• **Riverdale** (inside Gerrard Square)  
1000 Gerrard St. East, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Toronto  
416-396-2313

• **Scarborough** (inside Agincourt Mall)  
3850 Sheppard Ave. E., Unit 175, Scarborough  
416-396-8110

• **Dundas-Dixie**  
1225 Dundas St. E., Unit 14A, Mississauga  
905-896-2233

• **Mississauga Meadowvale**  
6435 Erin Mills Pkwy, Unit C-02, Mississauga  
905-814-8406

• **Vaughan**  
4585 Highway 7, Unit 7, Vaughan  
905-851-6551

**Website:** www.next-steps.ca

**Ontario Works Training Program**

**Entry to Food Processing** - FREE 8-week program helps Social Assistance recipients obtain the training needed to start a new career. Program includes:

- 6 industry-recognized certifications + Food Handling certification from Toronto Public Health
- Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) Training
- Standard CPR and First Aid
- Work placement

• 777 Bloor St. West, Room 120, Toronto

**Tel:** 416-393-0350

**Website:** www.tdsb.on.ca/communityservices

**Scarborough Centre for Employment Accessibility (SCEA)**

Employment resource centre for job seekers, including persons with disabilities. SCEA offers FREE access to job search resources, workshops, job fairs and other events. Accommodations provided and sign language interpreters available upon request.

• 3495 Lawrence Ave. East, Suite 203, Scarborough

**Tel:** 416-396-8100

**E-mail:** scea@tdsb.on.ca

**Website:** www.AccessibleERC.com

**Studio 500 Hairstylist Training (Pre-Apprenticeship & Apprenticeship)**

The FREE **Pre-Apprenticeship** program helps participants launch their careers with in-class and hands-on-training, and a salon placement which may lead to a registered apprenticeship. The **Apprenticeship** program prepares participants for the Hairstylist Certificate of Qualification (CofQ) exam. Training in cutting, styling, colouring, hygiene, customer service and salon management. Year-round enrolment, full-time or part-time.

• 500 The East Mall, Room 118, Toronto

**Tel:** 416-394-6961

**E-mail:** studio500@tdsb.on.ca

**Website:** http://studio500.tdsb.on.ca

**Welcoming Communities for TDSB Newcomer Youth & Kids**

Program helps newcomer students transition into life in Canada. Students from partnering schools have the opportunity to participate in free supervised group activities, meet and work with mentors, connect with their community, and learn about Canadian culture.

**Tel:** 416-395-2027

**E-mail:** newcomeryouth@tdsb.on.ca

**Website:** www.tdsb.on.ca/communityservices

**Youth Internship Initiative**

Provides employment opportunities for young Canadians, aged 15 to 30, helping them to gain experience and skills in Information & Communication Technology (ICT) for the labour force.

**Tel:** 416-396-8100

**E-mail:** youthinternship@tdsb.on.ca

**Website:** www.tdsb.on.ca/communityservices

**Youth Into Food Processing & Pharmaceutical**

In partnership with the Food Processing Human Resource Council (FPHRC), this FREE training and certification program provides post-secondary graduates (up to age 29) with the skills to start a career in the food processing and pharmaceutical sector. Program includes seven weeks in-class followed by hands-on experience through a work placement.

**Tel:** 416-394-2080

**E-mail:** yfp@tdsb.on.ca

**Website:** www.tdsb.on.ca/communityservices

