



Stay in the game. Keep Job Searching!

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1. Don't despair. Road blocks are a constant in our lives, we just need to drive around them!
2. Update your resume. Need help? Contact Aaron at aaron@spenceneighbourhood.org for assistance with designing or updating your resume.
3. Research companies you want to work for. Note what they do, how long they have been in business, how many locations do they have, where are they located, how would you get there if hired?
4. Apply for further education; college, university, on line courses and Webinars.
5. Ask your family and neighbours if they know of anyone who is hiring.
6. Check out the Youth Employment Hub's First Jobs 4 Youth manual on our website; www.spenceneighbourhood.org under Youth Employment. It contains multiple job search websites.
7. Prepare for telephone interviews. Research traditional interview questions and answers.
8. Stay positive. Searching for work is a job in itself. Congratulate your efforts and don't give up!
9. Designate a small space in your home to conduct your job search. Search Monday to Friday at the same time every day.

10. Set goals for yourself. For example; today I am going to research 5 companies, call 2 of my relatives to see if they know who is hiring, and I will check out 2 job search websites.

11. Relax, breathe deep. You are a person of value. One day you will be hired on with a company. Set your mind to working hard at conducting your research. Reward yourself for trying your best.

12. Be prepared...for telephone interviews, for reference requests and for requests for documents if you are hired; Social Insurance Number, Home Address & postal code and your banking information for direct deposit.

13. If you are a youth who lives in the Spence Neighbourhood, the Spence Neighbourhood Association's (SNA) First Jobs 4 Youth program is hoping to hire 20 youth this summer. Applications will be on our website in May. Or email aaron@spenceneighbourhood.org

14. Youth Crew is another SNA youth employment program that hires local youth all year round for casual work in catering; baking, cooking, & serving, yard care, & newsletter delivery. Give Ana, the Youth Crew Coordinator a shout if you would like an application emailed to you. Please note that during the months of April and likely May of this year, Youth Crew is not able to safely operate our Youth Crew program. We are hoping that Youth Crew will be back up and running as soon as possible. Keep checking in with Ana for updates.
ana@spenceneighbourhood.org

Other Youth Employment Resources to check out:

SAFE Work Manitoba www.safemanitoba.com

Manitoba Youth Employment Services website: www.yesmb.ca