



COMPASS ~ *Setting Career Direction*

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JOB'S: The workplace is currently undergoing one of its most significant transitions of the past 100 years consequently getting hired during this time takes more than sheer determination.

It seems there is an abundance of work available, but not necessarily a lot of jobs. Even though we know there are stable jobs to be had it is becoming rather difficult to uncover them so many people are finding themselves on a treacherous path previously untraveled.

Because of this there has never been a period of time riper for people between jobs to benefit from Employment Assistance Services, two of which are *Compass ~ Setting Career Direction & Compass Job Search Keys ~ Finding the Job you Want*. "Compass" is an employment program run by Mennonite Central Committee and funded through Canada-British Columbia Labour Development Marketing Agreement. It is offered at no cost to the public as long as they meet eligibility requirements which are:

- eligible to work in Canada
- unemployed or working less than 20 hours a week
- referred by CARE (www.careonline.ca) or YERC (www.myert.ca)

Our NEW Job Search Keys Program was launched on July 6, 2009. A new class begins each week running for 3 hours per day over a 4 day period. During that time participants discuss work options, learn to improve their resume and cover letter as well as brush up on interview skills. They also benefit from several one-to-one sessions with a career facilitator.

We strongly believe that a person's energy, self confidence and motivation will increase after being part of the Job Search Keys program. In fact we are confident that it accelerates job search success, reduces periods of unemployment, and helps people to find the job they really want.

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