

Summer Temporary Employment Program (STEP)

The Summer Temporary Employment Program (STEP) is a program through which community partners create meaningful employment opportunities for Albertans during the spring and summer months.

Employees

STEP is intended to help those who would benefit from temporary employment during spring and summer. STEP is available to unemployed residents of Alberta, at least 16 years of age and legally entitled to work in Canada.

Employers

Employers must apply for STEP funding. The program provides wage support to not-for-profit organizations, First Nations bands and Métis Settlements, municipalities, regional health authorities, regional school divisions and publicly funded post-secondary institutions.

The deadline for funding applications is the last working day in February.

Re-imbursment

Organizations receive a wage support of \$4.50 per hour plus an additional 10 per cent to cover the employer's share of benefits cost.

Duration of employment

Organizations offer full-time employment (30 - 40 hours per week) which may be funded for periods of continuous employment ranging from six to 16 weeks.

Other programs STEP is involved in include:

- Alberta Future Leaders
- Québec/Alberta Student Employment Exchange Program
- Ooskipukwa, Indian Management Assistance Program
- MNA/RCMP Aboriginal Summer Student Program

To access STEP or receive more information:

Click: www.gov.ab.ca/hre/step

Call: (780) 422-5082
toll-free by first dialing 310-0000

Career Information Hotline: 1-800-661-3753
In Edmonton call 422-4266.

For additional career-related information:

Click: www.alis.gov.ab.ca

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