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Message from the CEO

Are the Labour Force Statistics Reflecting Your Community?

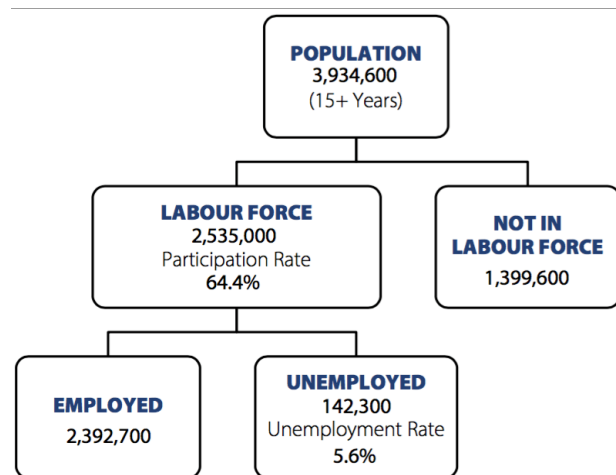
While preparing for next week's pan-Canadian Labour Market Transfer Agreement consultations, some of us were discussing the limitations of the statistical information available about the sector.

Regional stats do not accurately reflect the needs of the communities within the region; for example, Port Alberni's needs are much different than Victoria's yet there is little in the way of local data.

As community-based workforce development service providers, our member organizations create targeted programs and services based on what's needed within their community. More detailed data collection, however, may add to the already onerous requirements by some funders.

This disconnect between large-scale decision-making and small-scale community need is just one of the reasons why ASPECT speaks for this sector. Our job is to take the information of what is happening in your communities and share it with those making the funding decisions. You are always invited to call or [email](#) me to let me know what's happening.

Regards,
[Janet Morris-Reade](#)



Last week, BC Stats released their report "[Labour Force Statistic Highlights](#)" with links to full data tables.

Tourism, construction fuel healthy job market in Greater Victoria

Posted by the Times Colonist

A healthy tourism industry and construction sector helped Greater Victoria post the second-lowest unemployment rate among Canadian metropolitan areas last month. Statistics Canada said the region's unemployment rate dropped to 4.7 per cent in July from 5.3 per cent in June.

[Click to read more.](#)

Members in the News: Older Workers Getting AWARE Computer Job Training

Posted by Langley Today

A shortage of administrative workers in the New Westminster, Newton, and Cloverdale areas has led to a government-funded partnership with the AWARE Society, worth nearly \$368,000.

[Click to read more.](#)

Two local companies break down hiring barriers

Posted by the Squamish Chief

It is a win-win situation for both the employer and the employee, company owners say. Two local companies hire Squamish Helping Hands Society clients and the result is often a fresh start for the employee and a dedicated and skilled employee for the workforce.

[Click to read more.](#)

'Bike to Shop Day' gets a kick-start from work experience project

Posted by BC Gov News

A new event promoting the bicycle as a healthy and convenient mode of transportation for shopping trips is getting a kick-start from a government-funded Job Creation Partnership.

[Click to read more.](#)

Canada-B.C. Job Grant Application Intake Dates

As a delivery partner, ASPECT can assist with CJG applications under three streams of funding to which eligible employers can apply:

Current Intake	Accepting Applications	Training Start Dates
Open - Now		
Priority Sector Stream	July 18 - December 31, 2016	October 1- December 31, 2016
Underrepresented	Until December 31, 2016	Until December 31, 2016
Unemployed		
Refugee		
Opens October 1, 2016		
All Funding Streams	October 1 - December 31, 2016	January 1 - March 31, 2017

For full details and eligibility go to aspectcanadabcjobgrant.ca

ASPECT 2016 Provincial Conference - Registration is now open!



ASPECT 2016 Provincial Conference
 NOVEMBER 3 & 4, 2016
 DELTA OCEAN POINTE RESORT
 VICTORIA, BC

Whether you are frontline staff or management in the employment sector, there is something at this conference for you.



Conference registration is now open!
The full program and registration details are on the website.

www.ASPECTConference.ca

ASPECT Member Agency Job Postings

Did you know that over 50% of the clicks in our weekly news brief are for job postings? Send us your agency's postings to be included.

Employment Counselor (Case Manager)
 Kootenay Career Development Society, Nelson, BC
 Closes: August 15, 2016
[Click for details.](#)

Executive Director
 Central Vancouver Island Multicultural Society, Nanaimo, BC

Closes: September 1, 2016

[Click for details.](#)

Recruitment Specialist
MOSAIC, Richmond, BC
Closes: August 17, 2016

[Click for details.](#)

Program Support Worker
MOSAIC, Vancouver, BC
Closes: August 21, 2016

[Click for details.](#)

ESL Instructor
MOSAIC, Vancouver, BC
Closes: August 21, 2016

[Click for details.](#)

Peer Support Assistant
MOSAIC, Vancouver, BC
Closes: August 19, 2016

[Click for details.](#)

On-going LINC Instructor
MOSAIC, Vancouver, BC
Closes: August 22, 2016

[Click for details.](#)

Assistant Manager - Language Programs
DIVERSEcity, Surrey, BC
Closes August 12, 2016

[Click for details.](#)

Employment Specialist
Vancouver Island Vocational and Rehabilitation Services Ltd, Courtenay, BC
Closes September 30, 2016

[Click for details.](#)

To have your job opportunity included in the newsletter, please send the details including a link to your posting to nreich@aspect.bc.ca.

Professional Development Events

The CAPLA RPL Boot Camp

October 14 & 15, 2016
The Grand Hotel & Suites, Toronto, ON

CAPLA's recognition of prior learning (RPL) Boot Camp is for the brave, strong and disruptive innovator who wants to improve the way we acknowledge learning in Canada!

[Click here for more information.](#)

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November 3 & 4, 2016
Delta Ocean Pointe Resort, Victoria, BC

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2017 Cannexus Conference

January 23-25, 2017

Shaw Centre, Ottawa, ON

Come together with more than 900 of your peers to exchange information and explore innovative approaches in the areas of career counselling and career development.

Register now: <http://cannexus.ca/registration/>

ASPECT Tour Dates

ASPECT is hitting the road!

- Aug 15-18: Kootenays
- Aug 21-27: North & Central
- Sept 12-15: Lower Mainland & Fraser Valley
- Sept 19-22: Vancouver Island
- Sept 26-30: Caribou-Thompson-Okanagan
- Oct 3-7: Lower Mainland & Fraser Valley
- Oct 11-14: Victoria & Area

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