Foundry Work & Education Program

At Foundry, we believe every young person, especially those facing barriers to education and employment, deserves access to meaningful support in school, work and training. Using an Individual Placement and Support (IPS) model, we provide free one-on-one support tailored to each young person's interests, strengths and goals.



Who can join?

Any youth in BC interested in working, attending school or starting a training program who are:

- Between the ages of 15-24
- Experiencing barriers to work, school or training
- Not already working, in a school/training program; or attending less than 15hrs/a week
- Legally entitled to work in BC

Goal Setting

- We take time to get know you, your unique story, and any barriers or challenges you're facing
- Explore dreams and goals you might have for yourself
- Individualized searches based on your strengths and interests

Employment Support

- Discover and learn about different jobs and careers
- Help with job searches and applications
- Build and update resumes and cover letters
- Practice interviews so you feel confident and ready
- Get connected with local employers in the community

Education Support

- Guidance and support enrolling in programs to finish high school and earn a Dogwood Diploma
- Learn about different post-secondary school fields and program options
- Help with school applications, bursaries, scholarships and financial aid

Training & Certification

 Assistance registering for and funding short-term training programs such as FoodSafe, First Aid, and other job-related certifications

Financial Assistance

- Help with costs for work clothing, personal protective equipment (PPE), school supplies, and textbooks
- We can also support with post-secondary application fees and other related expenses

What makes FWEP different?

- You can join the program for as long or as little as you need.
- We use an approach called Individual Placement & Support (IPS) to provide one-on-one support tailored to your unique strengths, goals and needs.
- We can also connect you to other Foundry services (peer support, counselling, etc.) and community resources so you feel supported in all areas of your life.

Connect with us to learn more about the Foundry Work & Education Program: Email FWEP@foundrybc.ca





