

# Focus on Skills & Trades

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## This Week's Events

**March 18:** [BC Jobs Fair](#)  
Smithers, Hudson Bay Lodge

**March 20:** [BC Jobs Fair](#)  
Terrace, Terrace Sport Plex

**March 22:** [BC Jobs Fair](#)  
Prince Rupert, Highliner Plaza Hotel

## Career Trek

Career Trek showcases videos about popular jobs in B.C. Follow two Career Trek hosts as they travel 8,200 km across the province to bring a variety of careers to life. Experience careers through 52 videos and learn about the duties, salary, education and employment trends, as well as tips from each guest.

<http://www.careertrekbc.ca/>

## OHS for Young Workers

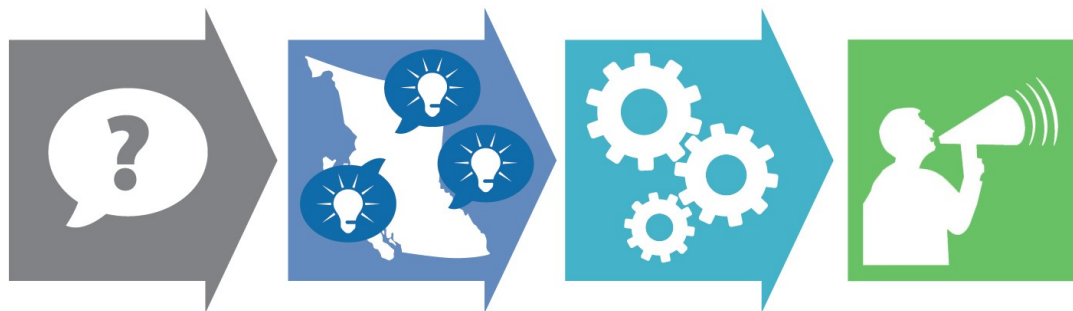
Developed for Work Safe Alberta, this publicly available website offers middle and high school students and teachers important information to help students entering the workforce keep safe.

<http://humanservices.alberta.ca/elearning/whatif/hazards/menu.html>

## Ideas2Actions Update

Last fall, Premier Clark hosted an online conversation, called [Skills for BC](#), to raise awareness of opportunities for building BC's workforce and encourage input from British Columbians.

So—how does Ideas2Actions work? This infographic explains it:



CITIZENS WERE ASKED TO SHARE THEIR IDEAS.

OVER 200 IDEAS WERE SUBMITTED FROM ALL OVER THE PROVINCE.

MINISTRIES ASSESSED IDEAS & BEGAN INTEGRATING TOP IDEAS INTO PLANNING.

ACTION IS BEING REPORTED AT [WWW.BCJOBSPLAN.CA](http://www.bcjobsplan.ca)

Check out these citizen ideas matched to government actions:

**Johanne** thinks employers need to be willing to sponsor youth to complete their apprenticeship:

<http://www.bcjobsplan.ca/local-idea-complements-government-action/>

**Jeff** believes there is an appetite to bring back

the apprenticeship counsellor:

[www.bcjobsplan.ca/discussions/how-can-employers-deal-with-the-upcoming-skills-shortage/#comment-4488](http://www.bcjobsplan.ca/discussions/how-can-employers-deal-with-the-upcoming-skills-shortage/#comment-4488)

**Harla** says it would be lovely if there was a web site that informed parents about trades courses being offered in each school. <http://www.bcjobsplan.ca/meet-skills4bc-contributor-harla-batinovic/>

## Skills Canada Competition 'I Dig It' Contest

The Dawson Creek Daily News recently published an article about the Skills Canada Regional Competition in Fort St. John and Dawson Creek.

<http://www.dawsoncreekdailynews.ca/article/20130307/DAWSONCREEK0101/130309931/-1/dawsoncreek/students-trade-in-their-skills>

The 'I Dig it' contest is an amazing opportunity for Grade 10 students to interview a woman working in the mining industry. It also provides a terrific learning experience—and great prizes! Deadline for entries is April 8, 2013.

<http://www.acareerinminingbc.ca/diversity-%E2%80%93-women>



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