

JOB TRAINING RESOURCES

Bellingham Technical College, 3028 Lindbergh Ave., Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 752-7000, Web: www.btc.edu

Professional Technical Education. BTC offers high-quality education in a supportive, student-first environment and has been providing skills-focused education. BTC students prepare for careers in many fields from advanced manufacturing to accounting; process technology to pastry; registered nursing to radiologic technology.

Cascade Connections, 1611 North State St., Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 647-9087, Web: <http://www.cascadeconnections.org>

Hrs. M-F: 9am-5pm. Pre-vocational and vocational skills for persons with disabilities seeking employment opportunities.

Cascade Job Corps College and Career Academy, 1950 Northern State Rd, Sedro Woolley, WA 98284

Phone: 800-733-5627, Web: <http://www.CascadesJobCorpsCCA.com>

Hrs. M-F 8am-5pm or by appointment as center is open 24/7. Free residential training program for youth 16-21 interested in a career in healthcare or information technology. Program offers tuition free college education, free housing, healthcare and on the job training, recreational opportunities and much more for eligible students. Tours available.

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation-WA , 4101 Meridian St., Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: (360) 714-4000, Web: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/office-of-the-secretary/division-vocational-rehabilitation>

Hrs. M-F: 8am-5pm. Employment related services for persons with disabilities who need assistance to find and keep employment

DSHS, Island County , 275 SE Pioneer Way Suite 201, Oak Harbor, WA 98277

Phone: 1-877-501-2233, Web: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov>

Hrs: M-F 8am-5pm. Provides multiple program services (TANF, Basic Food, Medical, WorkFirst)

Goodwill Job Training and Education Center , 1115 E. Sunset Drive, Suite 105, Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: (360) 738-0483, Web: <https://seattlegoodwill.org/locations/5>

Hrs: M-Th 9am-5pm, Fri by appt. We offer FREE classes in a wide range of subjects, including English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), Computers, GED Preparation, and Retail and Customer Service.

Job Corps, 1303 Commercial St., Suite 8, Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 738-9592, Web: <http://www.recruiting.jobcorps.gov>

Hrs. M-F: 8am-5pm, by appointment only. Free residential training program in a wide variety of career technical trade sectors. Job Corps offers free certifications, room and board, education, independent living skills and much more for eligible students 16-24

New Leaf , 660 SE Fidalgo Ave. , Oak Harbor, WA 98277

Phone: 360-675-1989 , Web: <http://www.newleafinc.org/>

Hrs. M-F 8am-4pm, closed 12-1pm; New Leaf's mission is to promote independence and quality of life through employment. Provides jobs to people with disabilities and employment assessment. Programs for job training, independent living evaluation, and support service.

Opportunity Council Employment and Financial Education, 1111 Cornwall Ave., Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 734-5121 x223, Web: <http://www.opcco.org>

Provides skill development and job training as an avenue towards financial stability. Classes, training, and one-on-one support for achieving employment and financial goals.

ReUse Works Appliance Depot, 802 Marine Dr., Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 527-2646, Web: <http://www.reuseworks.org/>

Hrs: M-Sat. 10am-6pm. Accepts and sells used appliances at affordable prices. Sells parts for at home repairs. Provides on the job training through the Community Jobs Program. Service Learning for WWU students and appliance repair internships for Bellingham Tech. students.

South Whidbey Commons, 124 2nd St, Langley, WA 98260

Phone: 360-221-2414, Web: <http://southwhidbeycommons.org/>

Hrs. 8am to 5pm, 7 days a week. Open later for events. Promotes positive youth development and fosters a healthy community. Provides youth job training, volunteer opportunities, family activities and lifelong learning experiences.

Turning Point, Whatcom Community College, 237 W. Kellogg Rd. , Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: (360) 383-3135 , Web: <http://whatcom.edu/academics/learning-options/turning-point>

For more than 20 years, Turning Point has been helping participants gain self-esteem, identify strengths, and find their career path. Classes and workshops are available from September to June, with an evening offering Spring quarter. In friendly surroundings an individual can explore personal strengths and interests and learn how to present skills to prospective employers. All offerings are designed for those who are in transition. The classes are generally paid through Pell grants, and assistance in applying for those grants is provided. Scholarships may be available for those who are ineligible to receive Pell grants. Self-pay is also an option.

Whatcom Community College, 237 West Kellogg Rd, Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: (360) 383-3000, Web: <http://www.whatcom.ctc.edu>

Offers associates degrees, general studies, ESL and Adult Basic Education to prepare for GED, professional/technical areas, programs for academic and occupational success.

Workfirst - Whatcom Community College , 237 West Kellogg Rd, Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: (360) 383-3180, Web: <http://www.whatcom.ctc.edu/degrees-and-programs/special-programs/workfirst-training/>

Hrs. M-F: 8am-5pm. Provides educational planning services and tuition and book assistance to individuals receiving TANF. Customized job skills training options also available.

CAREER COUNSELING RESOURCES

Advising and Career Services, BTC, 3028 Lindbergh Ave., Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 752-8450, Web: <https://www.btc.edu/CurrentStudents/Advising/indexAdvising.aspx>

Hrs: M-Th 8am-5pm F: 8am-4pm Provides career and occupational counseling. Resources for Admissions, accessibility, veterans and multicultural students.

Career Services Center-WWU, 516 High St., Old Main 280, Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 650-3240, Web: <http://www.wvu.edu/careers/index.shtml>

Hrs. M-F: 8am-5pm. Provides individual and comprehensive career counseling for students and alumni.

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation-WA, 4101 Meridian St., Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: (360) 714-4136, TTY: (360) 714-4009 Web: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/office-of-the-secretary/division-vocational-rehabilitation>

Hrs. M-F: 8am-5pm. Employment related services for persons with disabilities who need assistance to find and keep employment

Ferndale Community Resource Center, 5694 2nd Ave, Ferndale, WA 98248

Phone: (360) 380-2200, Web: <http://ferndalecsc.org/resource-center/>

Hrs. T-F 9:30am-12:30pm. Resource Center has a small clothing bank, offers free phone and fax services, access to computer and online job searches, help with resume writing, bus and shower vouchers, referrals to social service agencies and general community information. email: coordinator@ferndalecsc.org

Student Employment Center-WWU, 516 High Street, Old Main 275, Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: (360) 650-3158, Web: <http://www.finaid.wvu.edu/studentjobs/>

Hrs. M-F: 9am-4pm. Free resource for Western students seeking part-time employment. Job listings for on and off campus employment and volunteer opportunities.

Worksource Skagit, 2005 E. College Way, Mount Vernon, WA 98273

Phone: (360) 416-3600, Web: www.worksourcewa.com

M, W-F, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Tuesday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. 1st and 3rd Thursday each month, 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. Job search, career exploration, computer use, training on resumes and cover letters, and interview preparation. Job training programs for youth, adults, and mature workers, worker retraining, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, and information on unemployment insurance.

Worksource Whidbey, 265 NE Kettle St. Suite 102, Oak Harbor, WA 98277

Phone: 360-675-5966, Web: www.worksourcewa.com

M-F, 8am to 12 pm and 1pm to 5pm. Job search, career exploration, computer use, training on resumes and cover letters, and interview preparation. Job training programs for youth, adults, and mature workers, worker retraining, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, and information on unemployment insurance.

TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT

Command Center Inc , 1840 Iron St. Suite A, Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 676-1666, Web: <http://www.commandonline.com/>

Hrs. M-F: 6am-6pm, sometimes closed from 12pm-1pm for lunch. Provides long term and short term job placements.

An Employment Solution, Inc. , 1200 Dupont, Suite 2A, Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 734-8860

Hrs. M-F: 7:30am-5:30pm. Stops taking application at 4pm. Temporary to permanent employment opportunities.

Express Employment Professionals , 4152 Meridian St, Suite 201, Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: (360) 734-2457, Web: <http://www.expresspros.com>

Hrs. M-F: 8am-5pm. Provides assistance w/ employment. Temporary to permanent employment. Paid weekly.

Kelly Temporary Services , 2211 Rimland Dr., Suite 411, Bellingham , WA 98226

Phone: (360) 647-2207, Web: <http://www.kellyservices.com/>

Hrs. M-F: 8am-5pm. Staffing agency with office and light industrial temporary to hire positions available. Paid weekly

Labor Ready, 1530 Birchwood Ave, Suite B, Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 647-7642 , Web: <http://www.peopleready.com>

Hrs. M-F: 5:30am-6pm, Sat:7am-11am. Employment in construction & physical labor, housekeeping, food processing, both skilled and unskilled.

Manpower , 216 W. Champion, Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 671-1977 , Web: <http://www.manpower.com/>

Hrs. M-F: 8:00am-5:00pm. Provides temporary and permanent employment options.

Student Employment Center-WWU, 516 High Street, Old Main 285, Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: (360) 650-3158, Web: <http://www.finaid.wvu.edu/studentjobs/>

Hrs. M-F: 9am-4pm. Free resource for Western students seeking part-time employment. Job listings for on and off campus employment and volunteer opportunities.

WORKFIRST AND WORKSOURCE RESOURCES

The Community Jobs Program, DSHS 4101 Meridian, Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: 1-877-501-2233, Web: <http://www.workfirst.wa.gov/>

Provides TANF recipients the training and support services necessary to get a living wage job and keep it. Participants are paid. Must be referred by DSHS case manager/social worker.

The Community Service Program, DSHS 4101 Meridian, Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: 877-501-2233, Web: <http://www.workfirst.wa.gov/>

Provides opportunity for TANF recipients to acquire employment skills while working on other program requirements. Must be referred by DSHS case manager/social worker.

The Community Works Program, DSHS 4101 Meridian, Bellingham, WA 98227

Phone: 877-501-2233, Web: <http://www.workfirst.wa.gov/>

Provides opportunity for TANF recipients, with significant barriers to employment, to do volunteer work in a supportive environment. Must be referred by DSHS case manager/social worker.

WorkFirst-DSHS, 4101 Meridian, Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: 877-501-2233, Web: <http://www.workfirst.wa.gov/>

Washington's welfare reform program to help families prepare for and go to work.

Senior Employment Connection, Worksource, 101 Prospect Street, Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 676-1521, Web: <https://www.worksourcewa.com>

Hrs. M, W-F, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Tuesday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. 2nd and 4th Thursday each month, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m.
Connections meeting help once per month, call for times. Also available employment and training issues for older workers class, Thursday at 1:30pm

Veteran Services-Worksource, 101 Prospect St., Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: 360-416-3572, Web: <https://www.worksourcewa.com>

Hrs. M, W-F, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Tuesday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. 2nd and 4th Thursday each month, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m..
Vocational and employment services for all Veterans. Additional services may also be available. Call or visit the office to find out more about current opportunities and to register for upcoming classes.

WorkSource Whatcom, 101 Prospect St., Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 676-1521 , Web: <http://www.worksourcewa.com/>

Hrs. M, W-F: 8am-5pm, Tuesday: 9am-5pm. 2nd & 4th Thursday open until 7pm. Job search, career exploration, computer use, training on resumes and cover letters, and interview preparation. Job training programs for youth, adults, and mature workers, worker retraining, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, and information on unemployment insurance.