# **Employment services**

Looking for work? We've got your back



#### A history of helping

For more than 25 years, UnitingCare have been supporting thousands of Australians in the Toowoomba and Lockyer Valley regions by helping them successfully find employment —and we can do the same for you.

## Finding the right fit

As a not-for-profit organisation, the focus is always on you. With our personalised job search, we only care about what's relevant. Our goal is to find an employer who has the right job fit for you.

So if you're living with a disability, injury or illness that makes it difficult to find work, our dedicated team can help. We also support Indigenous, CALD, Youth, and Mature Aged people looking to find the right job or opportunity.

#### Working together

We know finding the right job can be overwhelming. But with UnitingCare, you're not alone. We get to know you and stay by your side through the entire process. Once we understand your needs, abilities and goals—we'll work together to make the process as simple and enjoyable as possible.

## Beyond job search

To make it easier for you to succeed wherever you land, UnitingCare offer a range of extra services like:

- Training opportunities to help you prepare for your first day
- Career counselling services
- Creating a personal employment pathway
- Tips for writing resumes, cover letters and filling out job applications
- Access to traineeships, apprenticeships and external training courses
- Specialised job searches
- Advice for negotiating workplace modifications or job re-design
- Ongoing support, assistance and training tailored to your role
- Workplace rights and entitlements information
- Referring you to other internal and external support services
- Centrelink and program registration support





To make it easier for you to succeed in your new employment, UnitingCare can assist you and your employer to access a range of extra services including:

- Workplace modifications
- The Supported Wage Scheme
- Employer wage incentives
- Auslan Interpreting Services
- Translating Interpreting Services

# Disability Employment Service (DES)

To apply for our DES programs, you'll need to complete a Job Capacity Assessment through Centrelink. You could be eligible if you:

- Have a disability, injury or health condition
- Are an Australian resident
- Are aged between 14 and 65 years
- Meet the minimum legal working age
- Can work a minimum of 8 hours per week
- Aren't studying full time

### Secondary School Students

Getting your first break in the job market is tough. By working with educators in the region, we're helping make the transition a little smoother for young people leaving school.

We can do this by providing:

- Opportunities for students to complete a School-Based Traineeship
- Support during the transition to post-school open employment

Students can also register with UnitingCare Employment Service without the need for a complete Job Capacity Assessment.

www.unitingcareqld.com.au/employment-services

Eligible students must show that they:

- Attract additional education funding due to their disability, or
- Attend a disability special school or special education class within a mainstream school, or
- Receive the Disability Support Pension

#### Support at work

UnitingCare Employment Service, alongside Work Assist, will provide the support you need to thrive in your new role. If your ability to work is limited by an injury, disability, or health condition, you may be eligible for this additional support.

#### How to register

Our friendly team will be happy to help you get started. Or, you can contact Centrelink directly to find out if you're eligible for Disability Employment Service programs.

# Our locations have you covered

UnitingCare Employment Service covers the Toowoomba and Lockyer Valley regions with offices in Toowoomba, Gatton and Laidley.



#### Get in touch

Remember, we're here to help with your job search. We want you to find employment that works with your skill set. To get started, you can contact one of our locations directly or send us an email to employment. toowoomba@uccommunity.org.au

We can't wait to get you working.

#### Toowoomba Office

(Crows Nest, Pittsworth and Oakey Outreach services) 3 Finchley Street, Toowoomba Qld 4350 P: 07 4688 3900 F: 07 4688 3911

#### **Laidley Office**

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#### **Gatton Office**

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