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Subject: RE: Employment Supports for Youth and Youth Options Program

Good Afternoon Mr. Lang, and Council Members for the Municipality of Brockton,

I hope my email finds you well, I'm just reaching out to you as we are seeking new clientele for our Youth Employment Supports, as well as for our upcoming cohorts of our 13 week Youth Options Program for the upcoming fall term starting October 2nd, with another cohort beginning on January 2nd for the winter session. Our Youth Options program is designed in that it helps those living with disabilities and barriers to employment who are seeking to get in to (or return to) the work force in environments that will be accommodating to their diverse needs. It's a great program for those students that struggle with in school setting, and are sometimes more hands on for their learning style. Not only are we seeking potential candidates, but also employers that would be willing to entertain being a resource as well as a potential employer.

Leads Employment Services offers workshops in our Youth Options Program that cover such areas as career exploration, resume assistance, and interview preparation. Certifications in First Aid & CPR-C, Safe Food Handling, Smart Serve, CannSell, and WHMIS. Paid training in employment, life and job retention skills. An 11-week job placement with a local employer, which includes on-site job coaching and follow-up support, and assistance to overcome transportation barriers. Qualified and supportive staff such as myself, and my colleague Employment Specialist Tracey Leroux. Through the program, Leads subsidizes any training/hours worked during the 13 week program. There is also a \$750 bonus for the client for completing the 13-week program. Successful clients who complete the program are free to continue at their employment placements if the employer is impressed by their successes and quality of work and offers them a permanent position.

Our generalized services are also available as well under the Grey Bruce SSM model, the SSM generally is seeking clientele that are willing and able to work 20 hours per week, some exceptions can be made depending on the situation. Under this model, a Common Assessment must be completed prior to moving forward.

I appreciate your time, as well as your consideration. Feel free to reach out to me with any questions, or to book an informational meeting to discuss our Youth Options Program in more detail. We also have brochures and flyers with information that could potentially be given out to staff, students, and local residents you may know that may be a good fit, or know of someone who would benefit from our services.

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I look forward to speaking with you.

Regards,

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