



NQEmployment

NEWSLETTER

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Sick of seeing jobs that you want to apply for but don't think you have the skills or experience required?

There are many different training & learning opportunities that we can refer you to assist with this gap.

We currently have the contact details for formal training in:

- Literacy and numeracy support
- Fee Free—Tafe Courses
- Skilling Queenslanders for Work Training

Please note some of these training options may have eligibility requirements that can apply but we can most definitely refer you to see if you are eligible.

For more info please visit—

<https://desbt.qld.gov.au/training/community-orgs/funded/sqw/funded-projects>



In the next couple of months we will also be holding some jobseeker specific training at the NQE office, such as:

- Resume creation/tailoring
- Job Interview Practice
- Job search training
- Job search reporting training

Please let us know if you are interested in attending any of these workshops.

Skilling Queenslanders for Work

The *Skilling Queenslanders for Work* initiative continues to achieve on social, economic and fiscal fronts, with an ongoing annual investment of \$80 million to support up to 15,000 Queenslanders into work each year.

The initiative represents a commitment to increasing workforce participation, driving job growth and strengthening the performance of the Queensland economy by improving skills development and work opportunities for disadvantaged Queenslanders.

The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of support for those in the community most vulnerable to reduced employment opportunities

Tailored, local community-based support is offered to young people, mature-age job seekers, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with disability, women re-entering the workforce, Australian Defence Force (ADF) veterans, recently released prisoners; and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

Skilling Queenslanders for Work is characterised by:

- clearly defined target groups
- voluntary participation
- individual pathways
- integrated mix of assistance
- strong support for participants.

The initiative is supported by a state-wide regional network working closely and forming partnerships with community-based organisations and local employers to determine local skills and entry-level industry and labour needs.

There are eight programs that make up the Skilling Queenslanders for Work initiative.

Community Work Skills

Funds community-based organisations to deliver tailored support and assistance to participants to help them gain nationally recognised skills and qualifications. This includes a mix of career advice, job preparation skills, foundation skills and individual case management.

In 2024-25, \$10 million will be available under the Community Work Skills program to assist disadvantaged Queenslanders to gain nationally recognised qualifications up to certificate III and build skills that will maximise their local job opportunities.

Work Skills Traineeships

Funds paid work placements on community, public works and environmental projects for up to six months. Participants undertake a Work Skills Traineeship (Certificate I in Business, Construction, Conservation and Ecosystem Management, Hospitality or Retail Services) that integrates vocational skills with on-the-job training.

In 2024-25, \$37.35 million will be available under the Work Skills Traineeships program to assist long-term unemployed and disadvantaged Queenslanders to develop the skills and experience needed to gain employment.

Ready for Work

Funds community-based organisations and school Parents and Citizens' and Parents and Friends' associations to deliver basic job preparation and employability skills courses up to 6–8 weeks to unemployed job seekers to get them ready for work.

In 2024-25, \$4 million will be available under the Ready for Work program to assist disadvantaged Queenslanders get back to work sooner.

Get Set for Work

Funds community-based organisations to deliver intensive employment and training assistance over 12 months to 15–19 year old early school leavers and disadvantaged young people to transition them to the workforce, undertake further education and training or return to school.

In 2024-25, \$7.75 million will be available to help disadvantaged young people under the Get Set for Work program.

Youth Skills

Funds community-based organisations to assist 15–24 year olds engaged with Youth Justice or Queensland Corrective Services or the Queensland Police Service, to undertake nationally recognised training and provide integrated learner support.

In 2024-25, \$2 million will be available under the Youth Skills program to assist young people.

Community Foundation Skills

Funds community-based organisations to deliver customised foundation skills training to disadvantaged Queenslanders with low level language, literacy, numeracy and digital (LLND) skills.

In 2024-25, \$5 million will be available to support disadvantaged Queenslanders and under-utilised workers to develop the foundation skills required to pursue their career aspirations and support transitions to further training, employment or improved job roles.

Skill Up

Funds community-based organisations, including not-for-profit peak industry bodies, to provide tailored assistance and industry focussed training to adult job seekers aged 25 years and over to help them get started on new career paths.

In 2024-25, \$4 million will be available to support adults 25 years and older to upskill or reskill in entry level positions in high priority industries to maximise existing and future job opportunities.

First Start

Provides wage subsidies to local councils and community-based organisations to employ additional trainees. The program offers opportunities for young people and disadvantaged job seekers to gain nationally recognised qualifications and 12 months employment by undertaking a traineeship.

In 2024-25, \$6 million will be available for local councils to create 300 new traineeships, and 100 new apprenticeships under the First Start program.

A further \$2.4 million will be available for community-based organisations to create up to 120 new traineeships.

More information

For more information:

Phone: 1300 369 935

Email: training@desbt.qld.gov.au

Visit: desbt.qld.gov.au/training/training-careers/incentives/sqw

GET JOB READY IN 2024 WITH FEE-FREE TAFE

The career of your dreams is within reach thanks to Fee-Free TAFE. With a wide range of skill sets, certificates and diplomas available, now's the time to get job ready in 2024 with Fee-Free TAFE.

Get job ready in 2024

Fee-Free TAFE courses have been specifically chosen based on local skills demand and advice from industry. Completing training in these high-priority areas will guarantee you graduate with in-demand skills and strong job prospects. With Fee-Free TAFE training you can feel confident for what comes next, knowing you're job ready with the industry-relevant skills employers are looking for.

Quality training for less

If you are eligible for Fee-Free TAFE, some or all of your training costs will be jointly funded by the Australian and Queensland Governments. Because they're footing the bill, you only have to pay what's left, which could be nothing at all.

2024 Study area include:



Business and IT



Education and community



Health and science



Creative industries



Service industries



Trades

How to access Fee-Free TAFE funding

To be eligible for Fee-Free TAFE funding, you must be:

- an Australian or New Zealand citizen, Australian permanent resident (including humanitarian entrants), or temporary resident with the necessary visa and work permits on the pathway to permanent residency
- a Queensland resident
- 15 years or over and no longer at school
- not currently enrolled in training.

Participants must also not have previously completed a Fee-Free TAFE funded qualification (students are only eligible to complete one Fee-Free TAFE funded qualification from 2023 to 2026).



**DO WHAT MAKES YOU FEEL
PROUD WITH FEE-FREE TAFE**

For more information including a full list of eligible qualifications, visit tafeqld.edu.au/fee-free





Australian Government



Looking for work or want to study?

SEE helps you build the skills you need for work or further study, whether you were born in Australia or overseas. In the SEE program, you can:

- improve your reading and writing skills
- improve your maths skills
- improve your basic computer skills.

Do you want to:

- improve the skills you already have?
- build a better pathway to a good job?
- be more confident to do further study?

SEE will help with all these goals as well as everyday tasks, like filling in forms and reading to your child.



Quick facts about SEE:

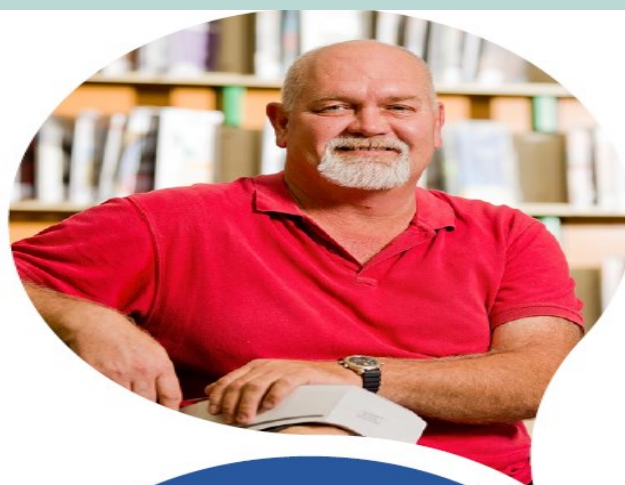
- you don't need to pay – SEE is free
- training is based on your future goals
- you can begin at your own level and learn at your own pace
- you can study full-time or part-time, between 10 and 25 hours a week
- you can learn in a classroom or at home
- you can still care for your family or look for work if you want
- you can do work experience.

Is SEE right for me?

You need to:

- be of working age, 15 years and above
- not be in other full-time studies
- have working rights in Australia.

Contact your local Employment Service Provider, your local SEE provider, or Centrelink to ask whether you are eligible to join SEE.



Want to find out more?

- contact your employment services provider
- find information about SEE, including contact details for SEE providers near you, on the SEE website at www.dewr.gov.au/skills-education-and-employment
- call the Digital Services Contact Centre (DSCC) on **1800 314 677** (or to reach DSCC through the National Relay Service call **1300 555 727**)
- call Services Australia on **132 850**

EMPLOYMENT POSITION TITLES

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TROLLEY COLLECTOR

SALES ASSISTANT

HAULOUT DRIVER CHILDCARE WORKER

SECURITY OFFICER RECEPTIONIST TRUCK DRIVER

STOREMAN GARDENER CLEANER

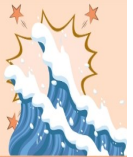
DELIVERY DRIVER MECHANIC NURSE

LOL Jokes To Share With Friends!



You may share all your secrets with me. They can be safe with my friends.

Ocean and shore cannot talk. They can just wave.



What bottoms do clouds wear? Umm, thunderpants!

Did you see the tomato blushing? Well, yes. It was because it saw the salad dressing.



What is the nickname of a rich elf? It is welfy!

What is the name of a bear without teeth? Umm, is it a gummy bear? Yes!



What is Minnie Mouse's favorite car? It's a Minnie van.

Can February March? No. But April May!



SPOT THE 5 DIFFERENCES



Orzo & chickpea soup

♥ Healthy ✓ Low calorie ✓ Low fat ✓ Vegetarian

Nutrition: Per serving (8)

kcal	fat	saturates	carbs	sugars	fibre	protein	salt
189	5g	1g	26g	6g	5g	8g	0.4g



Ingredients

- 2 tbsp [olive oil](#)
- 1 [onion](#), chopped
- 2 [carrots](#), chopped
- 2 [celery sticks](#), chopped
- 2 tbsp tomato purée
- 3 [garlic cloves](#), chopped
- 3 [rosemary or thyme sprigs](#)
- 1 litre vegetable stock
- 400g can [chopped tomatoes](#)
- 400g can chickpeas
- [parmesan rind](#) or vegetarian alternative (optional)
- 150g orzo
- [extra virgin olive oil](#), to serve

Method

STEP 1

Heat the olive oil in a deep pan over a medium-high heat and cook the onion, carrots and celery, including any leaves for 15 mins until softened. Stir in the tomato purée, garlic cloves and rosemary or thyme sprigs. Cook for a few minutes until the purée is caramelised. Pour in the stock, chopped tomatoes, chickpeas (and the liquid from the can) and parmesan rind, if you have one. Simmer 15 mins.

STEP 2

Pour boiling water over the orzo in a heatproof bowl and set aside for 15 mins. Drain the orzo, add to the pan and cook for 5–8 mins until the orzo is tender. Fish out and discard the rosemary stalks and cheese rind, then season well. Drizzle over extra virgin olive oil and grated cheese to serve.

A GUIDE TO ALL THE Laundry Symbols



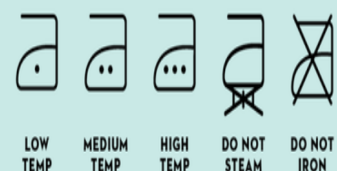
HOW TO WASH



HOW TO DRY



HOW TO IRON



GOOD HOUSEKEEPING



24/7 Mental Health Services



Australian Government
Department of Social Services

National Standards for Disability Services

Making sure that people with disability receive good quality services.



Is it an emergency?

If you or someone you know is at immediate risk of harm, call triple zero (000)

Suicide Call Back Service

Anyone thinking about suicide

suicidecallbackservice.org.au
1300 659 467

Lifeline

Anyone having a personal crisis

lifeline.org.au
13 11 14

Beyond Blue

Anyone feeling anxious or depressed

beyondblue.org.au
1300 22 4636

Kids Helpline

Counselling for young people aged 5 to 25

kidshelpline.com.au
1800 55 1800

MensLine Australia

Men with emotional or relationship concerns

mensline.org.au
1300 78 99 78

Open Arms

Veterans and families counselling

openarms.gov.au
1800 011 046



Standard 1: Rights

You have the right to be treated fairly when you use disability services.



Standard 2: Participation and Inclusion

You can take part in the community and feel included when you use disability services.



Standard 3: Individual Outcomes

Your service supports you to make choices about what you want to do. You can work toward your goals.



Standard 4: Feedback and Complaints

You can tell people what you think about the services you receive.



Standard 5: Service Access

Finding and using services is fair. You can access the services you need.



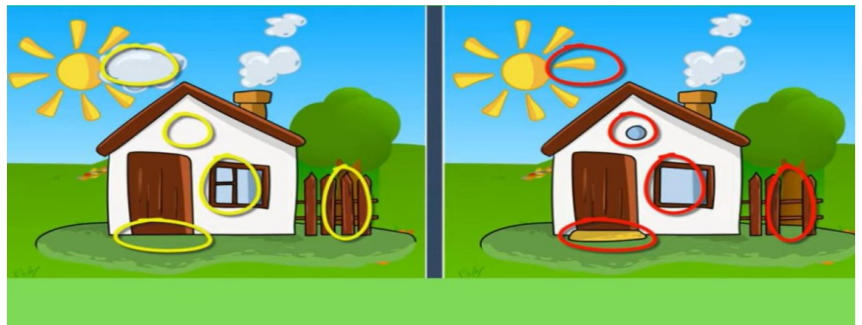
Standard 6: Service Management

Disability services should be managed well.

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You may have seen that we have a suggestions box in the reception. This box is there for our participants and visitors to write down any suggestions that they think can help us better the service we deliver.

Alternatively if you would like to provide a suggestion in person please always feel free to advise our friendly staff.



We have a qualified JP on site. To make an appointment for work related purposes contact the office on (07) 4775 1113.