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YMCA of Hamilton/Burlington



YMCA

We build strong kids,  
strong families, strong communities.

Y M C A O F H A M I L T O N / B U R L I N G T O N

**Career  
Development  
AND  
Learning Centre**

YMCA

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## Summer Jobs Service



### Burlington

This provincial program assists students 15-24 years of age with obtaining summer employment. Youth are provided information, knowledge and skills to find a job.

- Provides FREE job search and self-marketing service to young people between 15 and 24 years of age.
- Connects high school, college and university students with employers.
- Post summer employment opportunities and pre-screens candidates.
- Employers are provided with a wage subsidy.

### Results:

- 500 students (15-24 years of age) get jobs through the SJS program.
- Over 100 employers provide youth with summer employment.

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**Building Developmental Assets the YMCA Way!**  
Youth As Resources - Through a Summer Job, youth are given useful roles in the community.





## Halton Skills Direct



You can't get a job because...

- Lack marketable skills
- Lack certification, diploma or license
- Internationally trained

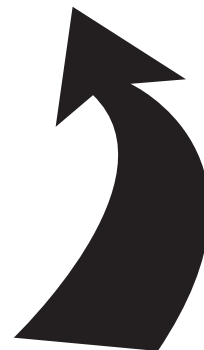
We can help you with:

- Exploring your training options
- Researching training opportunities
- Applying for financial assistance

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**HALTON SKILLS DIRECT**



## Y's Move Tutoring



This program assists children and youth that are having academic difficulties. The goal is to offer an effective, comprehensive, affordable tutorial service covering all grades and subjects. All tutoring takes place after school and times and days are flexible. Financial assistance is provided to those who cannot afford the full fee.

### We encourage children by:

- Providing a comfortable learning environment.
- Granting rewards for improvements.
- Building positive study habits.
- Developing self-esteem and confidence.
- Experiencing success!

### We assist parents by:

- Providing assessment information.
- Planning individualized programs.
- Preparing frequent progress reports.
- Providing materials for practice.

### We support schools by:

- Cooperating with teachers.
- Augmenting school curriculum.
- Sharing assessment and program information.



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School Engagement - Y's Move encourages youth to be actively engaged in learning.

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## YMCA Youth Gambling Program

### Hamilton & Burlington

A YMCA provincial prevention and education program designed to reduce the harm associated with youth gambling.

The program addresses the needs of youth ages 8 to 24 and people who influence and work with youth living in the province of Ontario.

### The Program Offers:

- Community awareness sessions
- Presentations to schools and organizations that work with youth
- Educational workshops for:
  - parents
  - teachers
  - health professionals and other agencies/organizations working with youth
  - referral to gambling treatment services

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Responsibility - Through interactive presentations, youth learn about making responsible choices.



## Federal Public Sector Youth Internship Program



### Hamilton & Burlington

A program that provides unemployed or underemployed youth with work experience through internships in federal organizations.

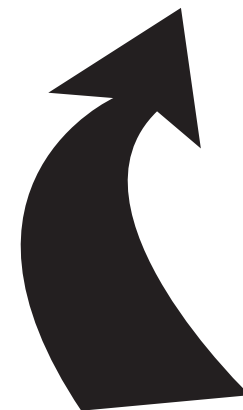
- Sponsored by the the Government of Canada.
- Delivered in partnership with the YMCA.
- Places interns in host federal government departments, agencies and crown corporations for 6-9 month terms.
- Main objective is to enable unemployed or underemployed young Canadians between the ages of 15 and 30 to acquire the experience and skills they need to enter and fully participate in the labour market.
- The YMCA of Hamilton/Burlington places youth whether they have a high school diploma or are an early school leaver.

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Other Adult Relationships - Mentors provide the interns support and encouragement to help them be successful.





## YMCA eworx!



### Burlington

YMCA eworx! is an electronic job finding club.

- Full-time 2-week FREE program.
- 14 unemployed adults per session.
- Conduct 25 sessions per year.
- Discover online employment & training resources.
- Learn the importance of electronic resumes & cover letters.
- Learn the art of interviewing and networking.
- Participants must be unemployed, ready to work and have basic word processing skills.

### Results

- 94% of participants say they found relevant job search links.
- 99% of participants would recommend the program to a friend.

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## Career Cruiser



### Hamilton

- A Mobile Career Centre.
- Provides employment and career development services in the suburbs and rural communities of the City of Hamilton.
- Equipped with computers, the Internet, TV/VCR and current career related information.

### We tailor our programs to meet the needs of your participants.

- We provide support to drop-in clients.
- We facilitate workshops for small groups.

### Some of the resources we have on board:

- Internet
- Interactive career and employment workshops
- Information and brochures on other community employment programs
- Career Cruising (Career Exploration)
- Word processing for resumes, cover letters, etc.
- Resume and cover letter critique

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## Careerworx!



### Hamilton

- A youth career and employment resource center.
- Managed by the YMCA of Hamilton/Burlington and funded by the Government of Canada.

### Resources Include:

- Computers with Internet access
- Photocopier and printer
- Fax and phone
- TV / VCR for employment related videos
- Space for community agencies to hold workshops or meetings

### Careerworx! provides assistance with:

- Resumes
- Cover letters
- Job search
- Portfolios
- Career information and exploration
- Information about programs and services in the City of Hamilton

Call 905-540-WORX

[www.careerworx.ca](http://www.careerworx.ca)



CAREERWORX!

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Youth Career and Employment Resource Centre



## Learning Connections

### Burlington

Through the Literacy & Basic Skills Program, we can help you upgrade your academic skills and connect you to employment opportunities, apprenticeships or training programs.

### Program Vitals:

- FREE program
- Learners have Employment & Education goals
- Continuous intake
- Individualized programming
- Daytime and evening classes provided

### Learners will Learn:

- Reading, writing and math necessary to attain their employment goal
- Some learners prepare for the GED (General Equivalency Diploma)
- All learning activities pertain to the workplace/workforce

### Results:

- Teach over 100 adults per year
- 83% of learners exiting the program are either employed or in further training
- 98% of learners are satisfied with the program

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## Throwin' The Horns



### Burlington, Hamilton & Flamborough

This program is a local live youth concert series presented at the YMCA.

- Since March of 2000, there has been over \$40,000 donated to various charities worldwide.
- As the program continues to develop, even more money is being raised and donated so the youth are able to give back to the community.
- Dynamic volunteer opportunities with our live concert events allows youth to build up some of their community service hours, learn about fundraising and build their resume, all while being involved in an exciting environment.
- Shows are being presented to the youth in a controlled, safe, drug and alcohol free environment. This allows for youth 14 and over to get involved and focus on the most important element at hand, the music.
- "Scene Points" a zine of the music scene. This magazine is written for youth by youth and includes cd reviews, articles, band interviews, photography, poetry and more.

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[www.ymcarocks.com](http://www.ymcarocks.com)

## YMCA Youth Centre

A place where you can:

- relax and hang out
- be yourself
- be respected
- FREE
- Ages 13 - 21
- We have Pool, MSN, Video Games and more!

The YMCA Youth Centre is the "HUB" of information, referral, recreation and services for the youth of Burlington.

Call (905) 681-1140



### Building Developmental Assets the YMCA Way!

Service to Others - TTH provides youth with opportunities to volunteer and raise funds to assist others in the community.

### Building Developmental Assets the YMCA Way!

Safety - The YMCA Youth Centre provides a safe and welcoming place for all young people.



## Gary Allan High School



### **Burlington**

The Alternative Education Programs offer a unique learning environment where staff, teachers and students work together to create an enjoyable and productive atmosphere. It is a place to earn credits, ease some pressures and make some positive changes. These programs are in partnership with the Halton District School Board.

### **Secondary Teen Education Program**

An academic program for young adults in a unique setting.

Students must be able to:

- Work independently on individualized programs
- Attend regularly
- Contribute to a positive learning environment

### **Teen Motherhood and Education Program**

TEAM is a supportive program specially designed for pregnant teens and young moms.

TEAM offers:

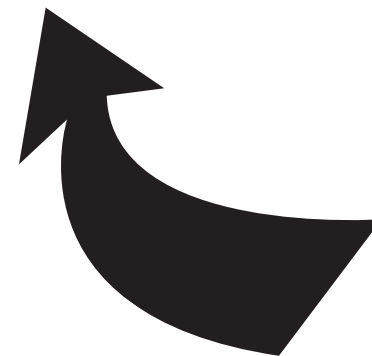
- Child care for infants and pre school children while moms are in class
- Continuous intake

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**[www.garyallan.ca](http://www.garyallan.ca)**



### **Building Developmental Assets the YMCA Way!**

Caring School Climate - Through a unique partnership, the Gary Allan High School provides a caring and encouraging learning environment.





## Job Connect



### Burlington

The Job Connect Program is a provincial program that provides unemployed individuals access to services they need to find and keep jobs or return to school. This program consists of 3 services that help individuals access opportunities to take more responsibility for their personal and professional development so they can find and keep “high-quality” jobs that help them lead full and rewarding lives.

#### Information & Resource Service

- A drop-in resource centre, where individuals of all ages, can access information on careers, occupations, local job market, training opportunities and job search strategies.
- Employers regularly post employment opportunities within the IRS room.
- Over 5,000 visits to the Resource Centre per year.
- 100 employment opportunities posted per year.

#### Employment Planning & Preparation

- Helps job seekers clarify their employment needs, establish short and long term career goals, develop an action plan and prepare for employment.
- Provides a structured service to individuals in planning and job search.
- Accomplished through one-to-one employment counselling.
- Over 300 individuals receive assistance per year.
- 92% participant satisfaction with the assistance they receive.

#### Job Development Placement Services

- Paid work placements.
- Individuals are able to develop work place skills in a supported environment.
- Employers receive a training incentive for hiring a youth.
- 175 individuals placed per year in work placements per year.
- 50% are placed in Apprenticeship Trades.

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