

Disability Related Employment Supports

Disability Related Employment Supports (DRES) help Albertans with disabilities overcome barriers to their education, career and employment goals.

DRES can help in three ways:

1. Job-search supports

Job-search supports like sign-language interpreters or software and technical devices can be provided to help the Albertan succeed in job-search workshops or job interviews.

2. Workplace supports

Workplace supports help Albertans with disabilities make successful transitions into the workplace and maintain employment. These services can include sign language interpreters, worksite modifications, assistive technology or job coaching to help the Albertan succeed in their new job.

3. Educational supports

Education supports can include things like sign language interpreters, tutors, and note takers. Assistive technology may also be provided, including software programs specific to the disability.

Eligibility

To qualify, the applicant must:

- Be an Alberta resident;
- Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident of Canada, or refugee under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act;
- Be legally entitled to work/train in Canada;
- Have a documented permanent disability that creates a barrier to employment or education needed to obtain employment;
- Develop a plan that will lead to employment;
- Be employment-destined and be able to work at least 15 hours per week, earning minimum wage; and
- Not be eligible for other funding to cover the costs of these supports.

For more information:

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