



**Community
Resource
Service**

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**Community Resource Service- Employment Service is Presented with the
2007 Ministers Award for Excellence**

JOB CONNECT - 2007 MINISTER'S AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE

Established in 2002, the Minister's Awards for Excellence are presented by the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities to colleges and non-profit agencies that deliver the Job Connect program.

Heather Vanner, Executive Director of Community Resource Service, states "it is the staff who deliver this program that are the reason we received this prestigious award". We have a very committed and dedicated team that ensure that "no stone is left unturned" Their diligence and determination is what sets us apart.

The Minister's recognition of program and service excellence is a welcomed and appreciated validation of our work," said Sharon Rodobolski, Program Manager

"Job Connect services transform the lives of individuals, employers and entire communities," said Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities John Milloy. "We are grateful to the people and organizations who deliver this program, and these awards are just one way of recognizing the important work they do."

Job Connect helps people prepare for and succeed in the job market. The services provided include information about the local job market, career planning and job search support, and placements with employers who are willing to provide on-the-job training. The program also connects people with training

opportunities and serves as a pathway to apprenticeship and higher skills training.

Job Connect is part of Employment Ontario, Ontario's employment and training network, serving more than 900,000 clients. Employment Ontario makes it easier for employers, jobseekers, students and newcomers to find the programs and services they need.

Community Resource Service, a local community based non-profit operates 4 essential programs, Food Bank and Distribution Service, Christmas Baskets, Advocacy and Employment Services.

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