



With Jennie Down—Youth Coach

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...WELCOME 2012!



Statistics for Selwyn Sept—December 2011

Total referred to 8
youth coach

Total exited into 2
employment

Total exited into 5
further training

Total utilized 37
coaching service
this calendar year

I think we can all agree that 2011 has certainly been an eventful year. The events of February will forever remain in our memories and in many ways will continue to shape our lives for years to come.

As a coach, this year has most certainly been a much slower year. Less referrals can only be attributed to young people choosing to remain at school (with less options to move onto) as well as others choosing to secure work in Christchurch as part of the clean up.

As the year draws to a close, I cant help but look forward to 2012, a year that I anticipate will mark 'a new beginning'. Not only will we start to see a new city emerge, but we will continue to see exciting new job opportunities materialize

as businesses gather increasing momentum.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the businesses, human resources personnel and employers who have worked alongside me to offer an opportunity to a client starting out in the world of work. Thank you to the services who work in partnership with me to support the young people we so passionately want to see succeed and finally an enormous 'cheers' to the young people who have used my service. You each have taught me more than you know and I feel privileged to be let into your lives.

Merry Christmas and Happy Beginnings!!

- Jennie

SUCCESS STORIES!

A big congratulations to the clients who have chosen the following:

- Full-time employment within the wood manufacturing industry
- Full Time enrolment into Lincoln University (Agriculture and Tourism).
- Full Time enrolment as a Limited Services Volunteer.
- PT and FT work within the hospitality industry.
- Enrolment into NZ Institute of Sport.

- Enrolment into Correspondence School.
- Enrolment into CPIT.

All the young people represented above have thought hard about their next step and have worked in collaboration with the youth coach to make a decision and act on it.

Jennie loves hearing how things are progressing and over the last couple of months she has received updates from former clients. One has completed her training and has secured work as a vet nurse, another is studying towards UE to become a lawyer and another has been accepted into NZ Air Force.

Well done to you all!

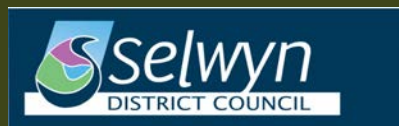


"It is in your moments of decision that your destiny is shaped."

- **Tony Robbins**

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The Selwyn District Council are pleased to be a part of the Canterbury Youth Transition Service. We are dedicated to supporting our local youth into Education, Employment or Training and in doing so, building a brighter future for our community.

If you or someone you know would benefit from the support of Selwyn's Youth Coach—get in touch today!



Facebook Page Especially for Young Job Seekers...

The world of online information and social networking is forever expanding and developing. It seems you can pretty much Google anything these days and find all you need without ever having to look elsewhere!

There are a number of websites that New Zealanders frequent when looking for work including 'SEEK', 'Trade Me' and 'myjobspace' to name just a few and websites such as Facebook, Twitter and My Space allow you to socialize while never having to leave the house!

One place that has cleverly combined social networking and job hunting is the Facebook page 'bbcanty'. By searching and 'liking' the page you can see in real time, jobs in and around Canterbury where employers have entry level vacancies that they need to fill now.

The page is aimed at young people between 18 and 24 who are actively searching and

available for work.

The administrators of the page are young people themselves and they list all the vacancies using language you will understand. As soon as you show interest in a vacancy (either through 'liking' it or commenting) they will make immediate contact with you so that you can find out more information about how to apply.

...HOLD IT!!

Before you rush out and 'like' bbcanty, make sure you really are job ready. If you are keen to secure work as your next step it is important to understand and recognize when you are actually ready to work.

Have you got a CV that will support you and your application? Have you got work experience that shows you have good work ethics and are committed, reliable, disciplined and hard-working? Do you understand what to expect at a

job interview and have you considered how you might answer the questions they ask? Have you got reliable transport to get to work without having to rely on someone else? Sometimes we might think the next step is getting work, when in fact it isn't.

There is a lot that you need to do to become work ready and signing up to see a Youth Coach will help you on your way.

REMEMBER...

Facebook is a public website that can be a great way for employers to learn more about you. What photos do you have on there that they will be able to see? What do you say when updating your status and finally what first impression are they going to have of you?

