

## **Youth Employment/Development Program 2022: “TRUE VISION”**

**Saturday January 22<sup>h</sup> to March 29th, 2022.**

### **Program Objectives**

*This 8-week program is designed to equip youths ages 16 to 29 years with the necessary skills, to properly select their career choice in order to achieve meaningful, and sustainable employment in the future. This program will provide all the fundamentals of job-readiness, online digital personal branding, and financial literacy, and money management. In addition **TRUE VISION** will connect participants to resources, and industry professionals (for guidance & support), necessary to navigate the job market, in an effort to succeed. By doing so, it will undoubtedly address all if not most of the academic, and socio-economic challenges they may encounter on that journey to find the ideal job. TRUE VISION is going to recruit 5 participants from the following communities; Jamestown, Finch/Ardwick, Neptune, and Lawrence Heights, to form its first cohort in Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, to March 29th, 2022.*

### **Requirements**

- **Youths 15 to 29 years living in a TCHC –VRP Community.**
- **Must be to work legally in Canada**
- **Must have access to a computer, and have internet connection.**
- **Must have a positive attitude, and work well in a team setting.**

### **Benefits**

- **40 hours of community service will be awarded to high school students who successfully completes this program.**
- **Assistance to connect to additional resources/skills training, Job-training, job-shadowing, job-placement, and scholarships/scholarship, and city grant applications (were the need arises).**
- **Trip/tour to college /university to gain insight in the programs and campus life.**
- **Referrals to training, and employment.**

**For More Information contact Phillip Auguste at 416.994.4291 or email**

**[phillip.auguste@torontohousing.ca](mailto:phillip.auguste@torontohousing.ca)**

*Workshops will be held once a week, at a time convenient to participants to get maximum turnout. A survey sheet must be completed by the participants at the end of every workshop, for the purposes of feedback, evaluation, recommendations, and program adjustments when and where necessary. All recommendations/suggestions will be reviewed and implemented were it is required. A weekly case-management session will be held (one-on-one with the youths), to offer any required support or mentorship. In-person sessions will follow public health guidelines, for the safety of all concerns.*

*The last week of the program will feature a round-table panel discussion that will involve; industry professionals, city officials, technical experts, employers, and TCHC support staff. This will afford participants an opportunity to establish valuable contacts, and network with some of the main players in the job market. A proposed trip to a Raptors game will bring the curtains down on TRUE VISION, on*

*March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022. This program will become an integral part of building a solid socio-economic infrastructure in TCHC communities greatly affected by gun violence.*