

Workshops help regional trainees put best foot forward

Geoff Brock September 20, 2017

Trainees from the Yorke and Mid North will today participate in a training session to help them take the next steps in their careers.

The capability workshop is part of the State Government's \$4 million Regional Youth Traineeship Program (RYTP).

Minister for Regional Development Geoff Brock will be in town to congratulate the nine trainees for taking part in the workshop, at the Valleys Lifestyle Centre.

Trainees from the District Council of the Copper Coast, Clare and Gilbert Valleys Council, Regional Council of Goyder, Adelaide Plains Council, Northern Areas Council and Yorke Peninsula Council will participate in the workshop.

The trainees will work with a coach on essential career skills including resume writing and mock interviews.

Guest speakers include Adelaide professional and personality coach Kate Mason.

Background

The Regional Youth Traineeship Program is a \$4 million Regional Development Fund initiative delivered on behalf of the State Government by the Local Government Association.

The 114 trainees from South Australia are young people aged between 17 and 24 living in the regions who were either unemployed or didn't work full time.

Participants benefit from tailored training and work plans, ensuring they are prepared to take advantage of further employment opportunities.

The program has been designed to encourage the regional local governing bodies to continue employing the trainees after the two funded years.

Quotes attributable to Regional Development Minister Geoff Brock

The Regional Youth Traineeship Program is helping to provide sustainable employment opportunities in our regions.

Strong regions mean a strong South Australia, and the Regional Youth Traineeship Program is a great example of the different levels of government working together to help strengthen regional communities, and support a skilled workforce.

These capability workshops, in particular, will help give our rural youth the vital skills they need to secure future long-term employment in the regions.

Quotes attributable to LGA President Lorraine Rosenberg

The Regional Youth Traineeship Program is a great opportunity to give young people a taste of working in councils, while helping them develop professional skills.

I congratulate the young people whose traineeships in local government are coming to an end, and thank them for the contributions they've made to our sector and their communities.

These capability workshops will set them up for the next step of their careers, and I wish them all well in their future endeavours.