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Workshops help regional trainees put best foot forward

Trainees from eight local governance authorities from across the Eyre Peninsula, Far North and southern Flinders Ranges 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.

Trainees from the District Council of Elliston, District Council of Streaky Bay, City of Whyalla, Flinders Ranges Council, District Council of Mount Remarkable, District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula, Municipal Council of Roxby Downs and the Outback Communities Authority will participate in the workshop.

The 11 trainees will work with a coach on essential career skills including resume writing and mock interviews.

Adelaide-based professional and personality coach Kate Mason will speak at the event, which is being held at the Australian Arid Lands Botanic Gardens in Port Augusta.

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.

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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 create vibrant, sustainable regional communities with a skilled workforce.

These capability workshops in particular will help give them the vital skills needed 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 local government, 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.

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