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Canada and Ontario Governments Announce New Job Grant

On September 26, 2014, the governments of Canada and Ontario jointly announced the roll-out of the Canada-Ontario Job Grant, a new employer-driven skills training program.

The Job Grant will provide businesses with up to \$10,000 per person to cover training costs for workers or unemployed Ontarians in needs of skills upgrading.

In order to participate in the program, employers will be required to contribute on average, one-third or up to \$5,000 of the total costs of training. Small businesses will benefit from flexible arrangements, such as the potential to count wages as part of their employer contribution.

Eligible training under the Job Grant can be provided in a classroom, on-site at a workplace, or online, as long as it is provided by an eligible third-party trainer, such as a community college, career college, trade union centre, and/or private trainer.

To apply for the Canada-Ontario Job Grant and learn more about the training pilots, visit the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities website http://www.tcu.gov.on.ca/eng/employmentontario/employers/cojg_faqs.html

The application can be found at:

https://www.eoss.tcu.gov.on.ca/COJG_Online/home.htm?lang=en