

MEMORANDUM

TO: EO Employment Service (ES) Summer Jobs Service (SJS)
Service Providers

FROM: Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities

DATE: April 21, 2011

SUBJECT: 2011 Ontario Budget Increased Investment to Ontario
Summer Jobs Strategy (OSJS) Programs

On Tuesday, March 29, 2011, the provincial government issued the 2011 Ontario Budget. The Ontario government announced an additional \$22.5 million in 2011-12, bringing total funding to nearly \$100 million for the Ontario Summer Jobs Strategy programs, including targeted resources for youth in high-needs neighbourhoods, to help over 100,000 student access jobs and services this summer.

The increased \$22.5M funding received from the 2011 Ontario Budget is towards MTCU administered Summer Jobs Strategy programs:

- Ministry of Training Colleges & Universities (MTCU) Summer Jobs Service (SJS): \$19.5M
- Ministry of Northern Development, Mines and Forestry (MNDMF) Summer Jobs Service (SJS): \$2M
- Ministry of Economic Development and Trade (MEDT) Summer Company: \$1M

MTCU Summer Jobs Service (SJS) is the largest component of Ontario Summer Jobs Strategy with a \$2 per hour employer hiring incentive and self-marketing and job search services for students. Information on individual summer programs and services is available on the Employment Ontario website <http://www.ontario.ca/employmentontario> and on the websites of each participating ministry.

In 2010, our government invested over \$90 million in the Ontario Summer Jobs Strategy, which provided over 130,000 jobs and services to youth, exceeding the target by nearly 25, 000.

For 2011, funding and service commitments will increase MTCU Summer Jobs Service (SJS) by \$19.5M for job subsidies. The increased \$19.5M SJS subsidy budget will support 28,000 more subsidised jobs for students for a total of 58,000 jobs and 30,000 services for students. This amounts to 88,000 jobs and services to be provided through SJS in 2011.

More details on MTCU Summer Jobs Service program delivery changes will be provided to EO Employment Service (ES) Summer Jobs Service (SJS) service providers shortly through further bulletins.