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## Beacon Community Services Hosts Sidney Job Fair Also celebrates 35 years of delivering employment services

SIDNEY, BC – Beacon Community Services' Employment Services team will host its annual Job Fair for the Saanich Peninsula on Tuesday, Sept. 19, from 10 - 2 pm at the SHOAL Centre, 10030 Resthaven Drive.

Employers at the job fair will represent a variety of industries, including tourism, hospitality, home support care, health care and construction.

"Our goal is to provide a forum for the Saanich Peninsula community where job seekers and employers can meet face-to-face and discuss employment opportunities," says Ashley Legebokow, Community Liaison Coordinator for Beacon Community Services.

"We are also excited to celebrate 35 years of having an employment services team that serves the community," says Legebokow. "Since 1982, we've served thousands and thousands of people in returning to work. We have a solid track record of connecting employers with good hires, and we expect more of the same at this Sept. 19 fair."

The event is free for all ages. Guests are encouraged to come dressed for success with resumes in hand, and be prepared for on the spot interviews with employers.

**About Beacon Community Services Employment Services:** Beacon Community Services is a community-based charity that provides a wide array of care and supports for thousands of people on southern Vancouver Island and the outer Gulf Islands. Its Employment Services division has two offices, one on Salt Spring Island (268 Fulford-Ganges Rd.) and one in Sidney, at 9860 Third St.

Beacon's Employment Services Centres work in partnership with government and other agencies to help meet eligible clients' employment and employer hiring needs, free of charge. The centres' supports include employment counselling, workshops, wage subsidy, a resource centre, financial supports, retraining and much more.

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