Facing redundancy?

Just lost your job?
Need some support and advice?

Introduction

In the current economic climate, many of our families also face unstable employment opportunities, and very often this includes being made redundant.

Our partners at Skills Development Scotland (SDS) have dedicated resources to help you find employment for the first time, or to get back into employment after a period of redundancy or unemployment.

The first piece of advice we can offer is to sign up on the **My World of Work** website, run by SDS at. You simply register and this site takes you through lots of different supportive stages and strategies.

Support is offered, free and in confidence, by

PACE

This support is available via **PACE** (Partnership Action for Continuing Employment) a Scottish Government initiative which brings together a range of organisations who each offer services to assist those in a redundancy situation. All services are free and confidential.

The following **PACE** services are available

- Information on **accessing benefits** and Jobcentre Plus vacancy service
- Individual Career Guidance interview to **assist in identifying redundancy transition options**
- **CV and Interview Skills support**
- Labour market Information and **job search assistance**
- **Welfare Rights advice**
- **Tax and money advice**
- Information on **Training and Learning opportunities** and accessing **funding**
- Information on **setting up your own business**
- **Literacy and numeracy support**

Below is a link to youtube which explains what PACE offers. If it does not play, go to the link at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tQcDSrPEu5Y

PACE can offer support online via the My World of Work website at

https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/

Go to the website to see what **PACE** can offer at

https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/how-pace-services-can-support-you#advice

You can also find out about **benefits** you may be entitled to at

https://www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators

You may have to submit a claim for **Universal Credit** at

https://www.gov.uk/universal-credit

If you need help making a claim online contact the **Universal Credit** helpline on

0800 328 5644 or textphone 0800 328 1344.

You may need some support in managing your finances at a time when your income is likely to be affected by redundancy or uncertainty. Support is available from the

Money and Pension service at

https://moneyandpensionsservice.org.uk/

You may need some time to reflect and think about your own Mental Health and wellbeing and the NHS Inform site is a good signpost of support

https://www.nhsinform.scot/healthy-living/mental-wellbeing

The Citizens Advice Bureaux also offer free, confidential advice and support and can be found locally at

https://www.cas.org.uk/bureaux

and their national website is at

https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/scotland/

You can look for **current vacancies** and tailor your search to suit your own needs on the following websites

https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/jobhub

https://www.gov.uk/contact-jobcentre-plus

https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/getting-a-job

https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/job-hunting

SDS provide lots of guidance and advice at

http://www.uddingston.s-lanark.sch.uk/docs/Coronavirus/positive-steps_interactive.pdf

Anyone who would like to speak with a careers adviser for career guidance, to discuss retraining or for support with job seeking, CVs or interviews can contact SDS via the redundancy helpline **0800 917 8000**

There are lots of support provided by SDS, from creating a CV to practise for interviews. Have a look on their website pages below

https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/myinterviewtool/start

https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/getting-job/building-cv

https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/application-forms

You may wish to upskill at this time and there are many free online courses you can apply for at

https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/learn-and-train/find-free-online-courses

Skills Development Scotland is a one-stop shop to help you get back into employment or indeed should you think of a career change. They are funded by the Scottish Government and their services are free and confidential.

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