# North Island Employment Foundations Society

**Quarterly Labour Market Snapshot** 



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#### **ABOUT NIEFS**

NIEFS is a charitable community-based not-for-profit organization and the major employment agency for Northern Vancouver Island. As a leader in workforce development we provide services to over 5000 job seekers and 500 companies annually. As an organization, we have been actively connecting employers with workers since 1986.

With over 30 years in business, NIEFS is a cornerstone in our community building extensive partnerships with businesses, other organizations, communities and individuals in Campbell River and across the North Island. These partnerships are integral to our ability to assist people to build self-sufficiency through active and sustainable participation in the labour market and assist employers to hire the right people, with the right skills at the right time contributing to a strong, resilient and healthy community.

# **NIEFS Mission**

To assist those in need with the development of skills that will enable them to find and hold employment in an ever-changing world.

# Chart 1: Vancouver Island/Coast Employment Trends – March 2017

	2017	2016
Population (15+)	665,800	658,700
Unemployment Rate	5.6	7.3
Labour Force Participation Rate	60.5%	58.2%

SOURCE: STATISTICS CANADA

## **QUARTERLY UPDATE**

## Upcoming Events @ NIEFS

April 28, 2017

 Broadstreet Properties & Seymour Pacific Developments 10am-12pm

May 5, 2017

Island Health 10am-12pm

May 11, 2017

• BC Emergency Health Services 1-4pm

To register for any of these events, please contact NIEFS at 250-286-3441.

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Between January - March NIEFS posted 788 jobs which was up 255 postings from the same quarter in 2016. Total postings are also up by 587 compared to 2016 and 337 compared to 2015 as shown in Chart 2.

## **Top Industries – Total Job Postings**

The top industries for job postings this quarter were:

- Tourism/Hospitality = 22.1% (174 postings)
- Forestry = 11.2% (88 postings)
- Social Services = 10.5% (83 postings)
- Construction/Trades = 10% (79 postings)

# **Top Occupations (NOC) – Total Job Postings**

Top National Occupation Codes (NOC) pertaining to the 9 main categories are:

- Sales & Service 41.2% (313 postings)
- Trades, Transport & Equipment Operators –
   20% (152 postings)
- Education, Law & Social, Community & Government Services – 13.2% (100 postings)

## **Quality of Employment – Total Job Postings**

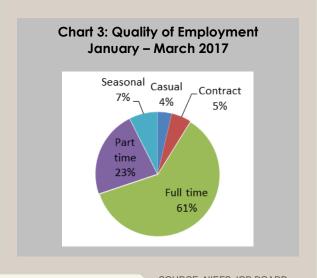
This quarter 61% of all jobs posted on the NIEFS job board were full-time and 23% part-time as shown in Chart 3.

The number and percentage of full-time jobs posted versus part-time, seasonal, contract or contract can be an indicator of the health of the local labour market.

# LOCAL LABOUR MARKET NUMBERS NIEFS JOB BOARD

Chart 2: Total # NIEFS Job Board Total Postings - 12 Month Running Total		
March 2013	1929	
March 2014	2373	
March 2015	2579	
March 2016	2329	
March 2017	2916	

SOURCE: NIEFS JOB BOARD



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Keep up to date on Major Projects
Check out these Tools!

# **NIEFS Labour Market Information**

Quick and easy to use! NIEFS Labour Market Information provides an overview of major projects happening or anticipated to happen right across the North Island. Be sure to check back often for updates!

#### CR Chamber of Commerce Major Projects Portal

This is the go to place for suppliers and job seekers looking for up to date information on the John Hart and North Island Hospitals project.

#### Did You Know...

NIEFS offers a broad range of Employer Services including: job postings; wage subsidy; employer forums; career fairs; labour market information and more!

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## **MAJOR PROJECTS UPDATE**

With construction on both the North Island Hospitals Project and John Hart Generating Station Replacement well underway and closing in on completion the following are some general updates on their status.

#### **VIHA North Island Hospitals Project**

- The construction phase of the <u>North Island</u> <u>Hospitals</u> project comes to completion the end of April 2017.
- Project now moves to the commissioning and transition period.
- Expected move in is late fall 2017.
- Next phase of opportunities will be with food services and building maintenance.

#### **BC Hydro John Hart Generating Station Replacement**

 BC Hydro <u>Community Construction Update</u> for March 2017 provides up to date details on the project.

### **BC Hydro Site C Project**

You can access all the information and details for Site C by going to <u>BC Hydro</u>.

Successful contractors will be posting opportunities on the WorkBC website using the search term **Site C**.



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## **BUILDING COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS**

As a local business employing hundreds of employees in a range of jobs NIEFS has been a key community resource in assisting us with a number of recruitment campaigns.

From ongoing hiring at Seymour Pacific and Broadstreet Properties to seasonal hiring at Big Bay to a successful 'popup' hiring event for newly acquired Campbell River Golf and Country Club NIEFS has been instrumental in quickly coordinating information sessions, forums and hiring events that are always well attended and result in many qualified candidates.

We appreciate NIEFS hard work and understanding the needs of employers in the community!

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