

**Title of Document: Self-Employment Programs**

**Overview:**

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**Programs:**

**BC Government Self-Employment Information**

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/policies-for-government/bcea-policy-and-procedure-manual/epe/self-employment-program-sep-for-ppmb-and-pwd>

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**Community Futures: BC Locations**

<https://www.communityfutures.ca/>

The Community Futures Entrepreneurs with Disabilities Program (EDP) is a business loans program that reduces obstacles that people with disabilities or ongoing health issues may face when looking for financing. Find your local program on the website and contact them to see if you qualify.

**Douglas College Self-Employment Program**

700 Royal Ave

New Westminster, BC V3M 5Z5

Ph: 778 628-5996

<https://www.douglascollege.ca/programs-courses/training-group/self-employment-services>

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### **Futurpreneur Canada**

<http://www.futurpreneur.ca/en/>

This program helps aspiring business owners aged 18-39 launch successful businesses across Canada.

### **Make a Change Canada (formerly The Canadian Society for Social Development)**

PO Box 278

Nelson, BC V1L 5P9

Toll Free: 1 888 927-7473

<https://www.makeachangecanada.com/>

Make A Change Canada develops and delivers online training, programs, and mentorship to anyone facing barriers to employment.

### **Service Canada: Starting a Business**

<https://www.canada.ca/en/services/business/start.html>

Learn about the steps to consider before and during the process of opening a business in Canada.

### **Virtual Business Incubator Dream Business Program**

<https://mashuplab.ca/entrepreneurship-programs/virtual-business-incubator/>

Online group and personalized sessions for people with disabilities.

### **WorkBC Centre Self-Employment Services**

8111 Granville Avenue

Richmond, BC V6Y 1P5

Ph: 778 732-1529 ext. 113

<https://successbc.ca/workbc/services/self-employment-services/>

WorkBC offers specialized self-employment services, including training, workshops, and one-to-one coaching, to help you to achieve your entrepreneurship goals.

### **YMCA Self-Employment Online Program**

Ph: 604 939-9622

<https://www.gv.ymca.ca/self-employment>

The YMCA's Self Employment Program (SEP) is a fully online program that takes participants from business concept, all the way to running day-to-day business operations.

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