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Training people for jobs

The Skills for Jobs in Regions program will be boosted by $5 million to $20 million to help an additional 6000 people get a job.

Employment Minister Grace Portolesi said the highly successful regional program will provide an additional $1.67 million per year for three years for 24 new projects in Northern Adelaide, Southern Adelaide, Western Adelaide and the Upper Spencer Gulf.

“These projects will support local job seekers to help them get a job in their local community,” she said.

“To date there are about 5000 people in these regions who have completed a qualification through Skills for All in the past six months.

“These people will be invited to participate in the projects if they are seeking work.

“The projects will provide people with a combination of practical job skills, mentoring and career guidance as well as training that meets the needs of local employers.

“Skills for Jobs in Regions is part of our Jobs and Skills Policy, a $120 million package to create more job opportunities and ensure we have the skilled workforce to fill them,” she said.

Funded projects include:

- $507,500 for the Northern Adelaide region, including: Building the Food Bowl – creating a skilled workforce for the production horticulture sector; Aboriginal Garden Blitz - renovating a Housing SA property; Pathways to Warehousing and Storage; and Retail and Hospitality Partnership Project - partners with a major employer to deliver retail training linked to job opportunities across Adelaide
- $195,000 for the Southern Adelaide region, including: Southern Child Care/Home and Community Care; and Southern Hospitality projects
- $177,500 for the Whyalla region, including the Whyalla Heavy Industry Training Program; the Whyalla Aged Care Training Program; and Retail Employment projects
- $171,900 for the Far North region, including Dieri Aboriginal Group – Land Management, Construction and Heavy Industry Pathways; and Pika Wiya Aboriginal Health Worker projects.
- $110,300 for the Western Adelaide region, including: Nanny Futures which assists people to get a job in childcare w; Garden Crew; Western Warehousing; and Aged Care West projects
- $55,500 for the Southern Flinders region, including projects with Kelly Engineering and Nyrstar in asset maintenance.

People looking to talk part in this program can call 1800 506 266 or email skillsforall@sa.gov.au

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