

The Communicator

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Global Experience @ Work Project

We are nearing the end of our commitment to the Global Experience @ Work project that was funded by the Ontario Chamber of Commerce, with support and funding from the Government of Canada and the Government of Ontario. The Smiths Falls and District Chamber of Commerce was one of the only 15 communities that were awarded this funding. With full support and participation from the Town of Smiths Falls in our initiative to better provide awareness of the resources to engage employers, foreign trained professionals and settlement agencies, we have achieved our goals in better helping businesses realize the full potential that awaits them in the global market. We sincerely thank all those businesses that participated and helped make our project a success.

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ONTRAC EMPLOYMENT RESOURCE SERVICES PROFILE

ontrac Employment Resource Services has been in operation since 2001 and is located at 52 Abbott Street, North (Unit 2) in Smiths Falls. ontrac's goal is to help those in the Smiths Falls area become employed and self-sufficient. They offer services to anyone (of any age) looking for employment including services to local employers looking to hire new employees. ontrac offers one on one career

counselling, job search assistance, resource centre services, job matching and placement supports and access to Employment Ontario Programs. They have been an integral part of assisting the community through the closures of the Rideau Regional Centre, Hershey's, and Stanley Tools. Several local organizations such as Big Brothers/Big Sisters Bowling, Snowsuit Fund, the Smiths Falls and

District Chamber of Commerce, Food Bank and the local Angel Trees all benefit from the generosity of ontrac Employment Resource Services. You can stop by or call them at 613-283-6978 to make an appointment to help you with your employment or training needs.

Show Your Smiths Falls PRIDE

February Winner

Shirley Groulx

The Rideau Winery	Debbie's Serenity Room	Special Greetings
Pure Indulgence Esthetics	Gemmell's Flowers Ltd.	Mike Fair Chevrolet Buick GMC Cadillac
Kate Somerville Design Associates	Dawn's Closet	Andress' Independent Grocer
Modern Thymes	Re/Max Connections Realty Inc.	Nick's Fish & Chips
Smile Sensations	Royal Bank of Canada	Wills Transfer Limited
Smiths Falls Chamber of Commerce	The Olde & New Shoppe	Pik-A-Pizza
Rideau Lakes Esthetics	Elizabeth Interiors	Andress' Your Independent Grocer
Jewel's Gently Used Clothing	Gemmell's Garden Centre	Nick's Fish & Chips
Vickie's Specialty Shop	Hair Visions 2000	Rideau Printwear
The Vineyard	Wright Way Services	Wills Transfer Ltd.
Harambee Health	Spotlight on the Rideau	Dreams Come True Bridal Boutique
The Bell Store	Town & Country Chrysler	Smiths Falls Transmission
Courtyard Café & Tea Room	Bronze Bayou	Country Home Decor
Gerbo's Steakhouse Family Restaurant	Smiths Falls Meat & Deli	Iron Legends



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Internet Kiosk and Wireless Internet at the New Arena

Golf Tournament June 8th 2011
Smiths Falls Golf & Country Club

2011 New Members

Waterway Get-A-Way Houseboat Vacations

Upper Canada Leger Centre

Cosmo Dental Labs Inc.

Doggie Styles Grooming Salon

Silvia Blanchard - Re/Max Affiliates Realty Ltd.

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<http://www.qybo.ca>

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thought it was too expensive or took too much time? Maybe you were overwhelmed by the technology and didn't know where to start?

Here's what you get:

- **Free, easy to build website**
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Export Market Access (Ontario Chamber of Commerce)

Think your company is too small to be an exporter? Well think again.

Export Market Access: A Global Expansion Program (EMA) is designed to assist small to medium, sized organizations (SME's) to access and expand the growth in foreign markets.

If your company has 5 or more

employees and annual sales of \$500,000 or more, you may qualify for a contribution covering up to 50% of eligible costs incurred to develop export sales. Eligible activities include market research, marketing tools, direct contacts and foreign bidding projects.

To find out if your company qualifies, please review the

information on this website www.exportaccess.ca

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