**The City of Edinburgh Council – Future of Employability Grants**

**Citizens’ Survey**

As part of the range of employability support that the City of Edinburgh Council offers, they provide grant funding to organisations to support people to find and sustain training and employment. These grants target gaps in local and national services and focus on specialist services to best support Edinburgh citizens. These grants are due to expire on 31 March 2022.

Additional funding from the Scottish Government is expected to be provided to the City of Edinburgh Council as part of the second phase of the [No One Left Behind](https://www.gov.scot/binaries/content/documents/govscot/publications/strategy-plan/2020/11/no-one-left-behind-delivery-plan/documents/no-one-left-behind-delivery-plan/no-one-left-behind-delivery-plan/govscot%3Adocument/no-one-left-behind-delivery-plan.pdf) employability transformation in Scotland from 1 April 2022.

The Council need help from citizens to understand what would best support their needs and help them find, sustain and progress in employment or training. This is your chance to have your voice heard and help shape the future of your employability services.  
  
The survey closes at 5pm on the Friday 2 July 2021. The information you provide on this survey will only be used to help the Council shape new services and will not be shared with any other party.

1. **Please tell us your age­­­­**
2. **What are you doing at the moment? (tick as appropriate)**

I’m at school  I’m in training  I’m at college  I’m at University

I’m not working and claiming benefits  I’m not working and not claiming benefits

I’m currently in a paid job  Other (please specify)

1. **Are you currently or have you previously had help to find a job? (tick all that apply to you)**

From DWP/Job Centre  From your school  From College

From Skills Development Scotland  From Fair Start Scotland

From a Training Provider (please let us know which one)

From another organisation (please let us know which one)

1. **What help do you need to find the job you want? (tick all that apply to you)**

CVs and job search  Housing/money advice  Help with English language

Training  Qualifications  Work experience  Digital skills

Help to get into a routine  Help with confidence or help with how I’m feeling

Careers advice  Help with work-related skills  Don’t know

Other (please specify)

1. **What services are currently helping you in other ways?**

(For example: money and benefits services, health and wellbeing services, family services, English as a second language support, digital/computer support etc?)

1. **What services have you found to be the most helpful and why?**

(For example: have there been any specific services that you felt worked best for you? Has groupwork or one-to-one support been more useful? What made the service more helpful? etc)

1. **Have you found any of these services unhelpful and why?**

(For example: Was there a service or a style of service that you didn’t find helpful? etc)

1. **How did you hear about any services that you have been involved with?**

(For example: did you hear about them through an Internet search, word of mouth, referred from another service etc?)

1. **What increases your chances of engaging with a service to help you find work?**

(For example: what would make you feel comfortable using a service? What would the service include: One-to-one support, meeting in person, meeting virtually, groupwork etc?)

1. **Do you have any other comments that you think would be useful to help shape these services?**

Please email your completed survey to [jessie.colligan@edinburgh.gov.uk](mailto:jessie.colligan@edinburgh.gov.uk)

If you are unable to email it, please give it to the employability or support service you are working with and ask them to email it to us.

**Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.**