

Youth Employment Charter

There are nearly 1 million young people not in employment, training or education. This is one of the biggest challenges facing our society and economy.

In 2010, the REC took the initiative and launched its Youth Employment Taskforce, chaired by Baroness Prosser. The Taskforce produced a series of practical recommendations on how to engage the next generation of the labour market in the world of work.

One of these recommendations was the REC's Youth Employment Charter.

REC members supporting the Charter agree to work with the REC to play an active role in helping to deliver recommendations of the Youth Employment Taskforce.

In return, REC will provide members with the support and guidance they need to deliver on the recommendations and highlight good practice in our communications and PR.

Examples of activities include:

- Developing links with local schools and colleges to raise awareness of the world of work (for example through the Inspiring the Future www.inspiringthefuture.org);
- Promoting apprenticeships and internships to client organisations;
- Using apprenticeships and internships to provide opportunities for young job-seekers to work with your business;
- Participating in specific employment initiatives developed by organisations such as The Prince's Trust, Business in the Community and London Youth;
- Working with local job centres and Work Programme providers to provide opportunities and address specific barriers facing different categories of young-job-seekers.

Sign up today to show your support for getting more young people into work.

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