

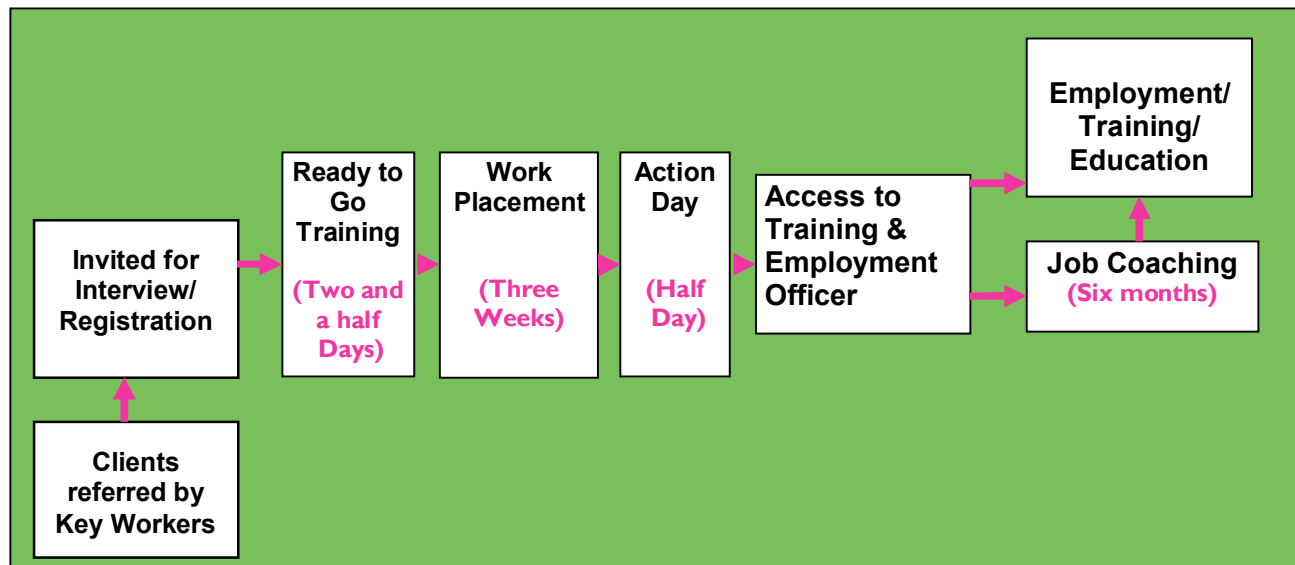
Work Experience Opportunities for Unemployed Homeless Adults

Working with businesses to help people who are homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless to move into employment and training

Ready for Work is a three week, supported work experience in a leading Irish business, with follow-up support

Gain confidence - Experience - Skills - Support - Reference -
CV - Certificate - Free travel - Meals

HOW IT WORKS



Ready for Work is run three times per year

Ready to Go Training

Two days of pre-employment training to prepare for going back to the workplace and to build confidence

Ready for Work Placement

A three-week work placement designed to give a 'stepping-stone' back in to work. It builds confidence, improves skills and enables candidates to gain experience to add to their CVs and to leave with a good reference

Follow-up Support

to keep motivation high and to give candidates every opportunity to secure work:

Action Day – *Straight after the placement, candidates come back together with the trainers to go over their experience, agree an action plan to go forward and receive certificates and a reference. Employment agencies and businesses may attend that day*

Support from Training & Employment Officer/ Job Coaches - *a TEO and a volunteer Job Coach from a business offer ongoing support after the work placement, providing guidance and motivation during the job search and onwards into employment*

Ready for Work operates in Dublin and in 22 cities in the UK

- ▶ **Over 1700 homeless people in Ireland and the UK have participated in Ready for Work** (BAOH UK, April 2006)
- ▶ **Of those who completed their placement in Ireland, 70% have started employment** (BITCI, Sept 2006)
- ▶ **100% of homeless candidates experience increased motivation on completing the programme** (Winmark, 2003)

"I haven't been shown such respect in 12 years" RFW Candidate

"I love that Friday feeling, walking home with all the other workers"
RFW Candidate

"Candidate was very good with customers, quick on the uptake, needs no supervision...The more involved he got, the better he was" RFW Business Buddy

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