RENEWED PROSPERITY THROUGH GREATER TRAINING PROGRAM (PARAF)



You want to re-enter the work force after a job loss?

Thanks to the Renewed Prosperity Through Greater Training Program (PARAF), you could receive training while benefiting from financial assistance or an increase to your current financial assistance.

Financial Assistance

PARAF allows a person to receive an employment assistance allowance of **\$500** per week or to see their allowance increased to **\$500** per week if they already receive financial assistance from the Gouvernement du Québec. The employment assistance allowance will be provided for the full duration of the training.

ADMISSIBILITY



- 1. You must be unemployed.
- 2. You must be in one of the following financial situations:
 - receiving employment insurance or recovery benefits (CRB or other)
 - receiving last-resort financial assistance from the Gouvernment du Québec
 - taking part in skills development activities under the Aim for Employment Program of the Gouvernment du Québec
 - not receiving any income from government support programs.
- 3. You must have agreed with a Services Québec employment assistance officer about a process leading to a full-time training program aimed at working in a trade or occupation with good job prospects (considered to have a balanced labour supply and demand or a labour shortage), with priority granted to short-term training programs and training leading to occupations in construction, health and information technology, without excluding others. People who lost employment in economic sectors that were put on "pause" during the pandemic–for instance, hotels, restaurants, aviation and aerospace—and who wish to increase their qualifications in the same sector could also benefit from PARAF under certain conditions. The training must begin by September 25, 2021.



Ineligible Activities

French or literacy training, or general secondary school classes, are not eligible under this program. However, those taking such classes may qualify for income support through other ongoing programs. Inquire with your employment assistance officer.



Applying for the Program

To benefit from PARAF, you must meet with an employment assistance officer at a Services Québec office or at a local employment centre (CLE). The officer will evaluate your situation and needs and confirm whether you are eligible. They will walk you through the application process or direct you to another resource more suited to your needs, as the case may be.

To make an appointment for an evaluation interview with an officer and see whether you are eligible for this program, you must complete an online service request at quebec.ca/en/employment/renewed-prosperity-training-program/.

If you already have an active file with a Services Québec office or a CLE, you can apply online or contact your employment assistance officer directly.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BENEFIT FROM THIS ASSISTANCE TO QUALIFY FOR A JOB?

Contact the nearest Services Québec office or local employment centre (CLE). A representative will evaluate your situation and your needs and determine with you if PARAF is the solution for you.



