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NSW Government delivers jobs boost for young workers

Young workers are being targeted in a recruitment drive to fill more than 250 public sector cadetship places across NSW, announced Special Minister of State John Robertson today.

“More than 250 public sector cadetships for people under 25 years of age are being advertised under the State Government’s *Jump Start* youth employment and training program,” said Mr Robertson.

“This is a timely reminder that there are lots of opportunities for young people and school leavers weighing up their career options.

“The NSW public sector cadetship program gives young workers the chance to earn while they learn, picking up valuable on-the-job skills and training in a supportive workplace environment.

“These training positions are part of the commitment by Premier Nathan Rees to provide 6000 training places to young people over the next four years – 4000 apprenticeships and 2000 cadetships.

“This intake of 250 cadets will see the Government easily meeting its recruitment targets for youth training and employment places in the first year of this innovative program championed by Premier Rees.

“The Government has recruited over 300 cadets and 1000 apprentices already in 2009 so we are well on track to not just meet, but exceed our targets over the next four years.

“The positions being offered from today include nursing assistants, residential support workers, water supply operators, aboriginal field worker trainees and Information Technology officers.

“We are also offering traineeships in office and business administration across Government agencies as diverse as the Zoo to Railcorp, Tourism NSW and the Department of Education and Training.

“We’re calling for applicants across Greater Sydney from the Northern Beaches to Warragamba Dam and everywhere in between.

“Positions are also being offered in regional communities including Tumut, Grafton, Tamworth, Dubbo, Bathurst and more.

“This investment in the future skilled workforce will see some of our youngest workers become our most highly valued employees in years to come.

“Applications close in November so we’re encouraging people under 25 years of age to get in quick at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au.”

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