VOCEC
an award winning corporation

VOCEC businesses are committed to providing quality, courteous service. This is evident by the numerous awards received throughout the years:

Business of the Year Award from the Kingston Chamber of Commerce.

Program Award from the Schizophrenia Society of Ontario.

ACE award (Achievement, Commitment & Excellence) from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

Community Action Award from the Ministry of Citizenship.

Flexible workforce meeting your business needs

VOCEC

Please contact the VOCEC office:

- For further information about Voices, Opportunities & Choices Employment Club or any of our businesses.
- To apply for employment with one of our businesses and to forward your resume and covering letter.
- If you have business experience or are a consumer of mental health services and are interested in volunteering as a board member.

VOCEC responds to members' needs:

- VOCEC Education Fund
- Denture Fund

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"Making a difference through employment"

Voices, Opportunities & Choices Employment Club

Award winning not-for-profit corporation established in 1993 to offer social enterprise employment opportunities to consumers of mental health services.

VOCEC operates several small businesses providing service to Kingston and area:

- Book Ends Café
- Business For Hire
- Card Factory
- Hands On Car Wash
- Kibble Klub
- Little Green Thumb
- Treasure Café
- Tree Free VOCEC
- Westwood Canteen

VOCEC

(Voices, Opportunities & Choices Employment Club)

VOCEC is a not-for-profit corporation run by a community volunteer Board of Directors responsible for overseeing numerous social enterprise businesses in the Kingston area. Since 1993, VOCEC has employed over 400 consumers of mental health services.

VOCEC businesses promote self-esteem, independence, personal growth, and skill development for their associates.

VOCEC businesses are self sufficient, combining a gross income of over half a million dollars annually.

Each business contributes a corporation fee so that new employment opportunities can be created through business growth.

Hands On Car Wash

VOCEC's first business, Hands On Car Wash, continues to thrive after 16 years in operation. Quality hand wash-and-dry car care, interior cleaning, wax and polish, as well as customized packages by its skilled associates are available at the 15 Russell Street location (off Montreal Street).

Card Factory

The Card Factory, located at 525 Montreal Street, creates from recycled materials original handmade greeting cards designed to make a lasting impression. Cards can be designed to reflect your personal or corporate needs or event. Cards can be ordered directly or purchased in select stores in Kingston.

Business for Hire

As the name implies, our associates will undertake any work at fair market rates. No job is too big or small. Consider us to collate, fabricate, package, assemble or ship your products.

Tree-Free VOCEC

The newest VOCEC business, Tree-Free VOCEC, a Canadian wholesale distributor, involves the shipping of environmentally friendly greeting cards and products across Canada.

Kibble Klub

Only a year old, the Kibble Klub is a pet food delivery service featuring the all natural Pronature brand of pet kibble and products. Pronature is a quality, nutritious food with an international reputation. Benefits of joining the Klub include individualized meal plans, convenience (delivery or pickup), free 7-day trial, competitive pricing, and a rewards program.

Little Green Thumb

Little Green Thumb provides garden care, garden design, creative containers and flower boxes, year-round flower bed maintenance, shrub and hedge pruning, vacation maintenance, fall and spring yard clean-up, and pesticide-free weed removal. Flexible work consignments and fee schedules are available.

Treasure Café

Customers at Community Support Services at 525 Montreal Street enjoy gourmet soups and other tasty offerings at the Treasure Café.

Book Ends Café

Library patrons at the Central Branch of the Kingston-Frontenac Public Library, can enjoy refreshments including light lunches at the Bookends Café. The Café can also provide catering for your event. Remember to book your catering at the time of your room booking.

Westwood Canteen

The canteen at Providence Care Mental Health Services at 752 King Street West is a hub of activity. Customers make it part of their daily routine to buy the many staples the canteen offers. Stop by for a great cup of coffee and a tasty treat!