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Casey Cardinia Libraries Help Job Seekers and Business Owners Build Skills

Thanks to a partnership between the City of Casey, Cardinia Shire Council and Casey Cardinia Libraries, locals will be able to access free high-quality training as part of Microsoft and LinkedIn Learning's global skills initiative.

Microsoft and LinkedIn Learning recently announced a global skills initiative aimed at bringing digital skills to 25 million people worldwide, including 500,000 Australians by the end of 2020.

Courses will focus on gaining skills for the top ten in-demand jobs for the future, which Microsoft and LinkedIn Learning identified as Software Developer, Sales Representative, Project Manager, IT Administrator, Customer Service Specialist, Digital Marketer, IT Support, Data Analyst, Financial Analyst and Graphic Designer.

Casey Cardinia Libraries CEO Chris Buckingham said 'People across the region are doing it tough. This free training offered via LinkedIn Learning will help people trying to get back into employment through reskilling. All you need to get free access to high quality online training is your library membership details.'

City of Casey's Chair of Administrators Noelene Duff PSM echoed Mr Buckingham's statement.

'Amid such widespread disruption, this initiative will be invaluable for those seeking a new career in industries gaining momentum or looking to build their current skills.'

'Council is committed to supporting our community throughout this challenging time and we are delighted that, through this ongoing partnership, residents will be able to access such high-quality training at no expense,' said Ms Duff.

Cardinia Shire Council Mayor Cr Jeff Springfield said 'We know local businesses and those seeking employment are finding it difficult, especially with the impact of COVID-19.'

'Upskilling and learning new skills while staying at home, is one way Council is trying to assist business operators, employees and jobseekers for future markets and opportunities', said Cr Springfield.

Resident who are not already library members can sign up online <https://www.cclc.vic.gov.au/>.

LinkedIn Learning can be accessed via the Casey Cardinia Libraries website <https://www.cclc.vic.gov.au/online-resources/lynda-com/>.

CCL also have free job preparation and training support in partnership with Max Employment book here for your personal chat with a consultant <https://www.cclc.vic.gov.au/job-support-sessions/>.

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To arrange a conversation with CEO Chris Buckingham or a photograph please contact Erin Commerford.

Casey Cardinia Libraries is a network of public library services throughout Melbourne's south-east metropolitan corridor with branches located at Cranbourne, Doveton, Emerald, Endeavour Hills, Hampton Park, Narre Warren and Pakenham. A weekly Mobile library service also visits sites throughout Cardinia Shire. Library membership is free and open to everyone.

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