

European Social Fund Opening Doors to Adult Learners Award Winner

Jobjunction Employment Partnership at Birmingham Airport, Birmingham

Fran Hall (Jobjunction Employment Partnership) – Jobjunction is a partnership programme to assist long term unemployed people return to employment within Birmingham International Airport.

Learner 1 – I was actually a chef. I've been a chef for 10 years.

Learner 2 – I was a team leader at Land Rover.

Susan Kilroy (Jobcentre Plus) – Jobjunction is a project that operates from the airport job centre.

Learner 3 – I was working for Honda in town but I got made redundant.

Fran Hall (Jobjunction Employment Partnership) – The local surrounding areas are high unemployment areas and a lot of peoples confidence has been reduced. They need to have their qualifications bought back up to date.

Learner 1 - We're manual handling this morning.

Fran Hall (Jobjunction Employment Partnership) - Solihull College give them the chance to achieve up to 5 qualifications during the time the customers are actually with us training and trying to get back to work.

Learner 4 – Told us everything really, about health and safety, doing C.V's and IT.

Fran Hall (Jobjunction Employment Partnership) – We get them guaranteed interviews with suitable employers on-site.

Learner 5 - You can go many places in the airport, work your way up.

Fran Hall (Jobjunction Employment Partnership) - There is in excess of a 150 employers based within the airport.

Learner 3 - Servisair accepted me so I went on to their training and then got a job trial.

Fran Hall (Jobjunction Employment Partnership) - Up until now we have assisted over a 150 people to return to employment within Birmingham Airport.

Learner 3 – I am enjoying it, even though its early starts it's still good.