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# HISTORY OF EAST BELFAST MISSION



**EAST BELFAST MISSION** is part of the Methodist Church of Ireland and has been a registered charity since 1985.

The history of EBM goes back to the soup kitchens of the early 1900's.

EBM opened in the new Skainos building on the Newtownards Road Belfast in November 2012



**Our employability project Belfast Works assists the unemployed to return to work through a range of programmes:**



- ❖ Citywide LEMIS+ Employability project – 5 partners Ashton Community Trust, EBM, GEMS, Job Assist Shankill, Upper Springfield Community Trust
- ❖ Helping with completion of job or course applications
- ❖ Offering training courses including confidence building
- ❖ Teaching interview skills, what to expect, how to react
- ❖ Providing free training courses for unemployed clients
- ❖ Community and Family Support Programme

# LEMIS+ Employability Programme



- ❖ Voluntary service
- ❖ Hardest to reach – long term unemployed 3<sup>rd</sup> generation
- ❖ Volunteering opportunities
- ❖ Very poor educational attainment in protestant young men
- ❖ Must be on benefits to engage on programme ESA or JSA

# What the LEMIS+ programme offers



- ❖ One to one mentoring service
- ❖ Draft a high quality CV
- ❖ Search for jobs
- ❖ Help to complete applications
- ❖ Mock interviews
- ❖ Job club
- ❖ Employment reference
- ❖ Volunteering opportunities

## LEMIS+ training for clients



- ❖ Child care level 1&2
- ❖ Health and Social Care level 1&2
- ❖ Basic IT, Spreadsheets, ECDL, Word Outlook
- ❖ CSR cards, Forklift
- ❖ 2 week Hospitality Academy
- ❖ Training is delivered in Outreach Centres across East Belfast Bally Been, Ballyhachamore, Dee Street, Tullycarnet, Greenway



→ Any questions?



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- ❖ restore charity shops in Belfast, Ards, Antrim and Larne
- ❖ rebeebies shops selling good quality second hand nursery items
- ❖ Vintage shop with bridal department in Belfast City Centre
- ❖ refresh cafe on site in Skainos also offering external catering
- ❖ refurb and recycle projects – refurbishment of furniture and bikes
- ❖ Bright Sparks Day care nursery within Skainos

