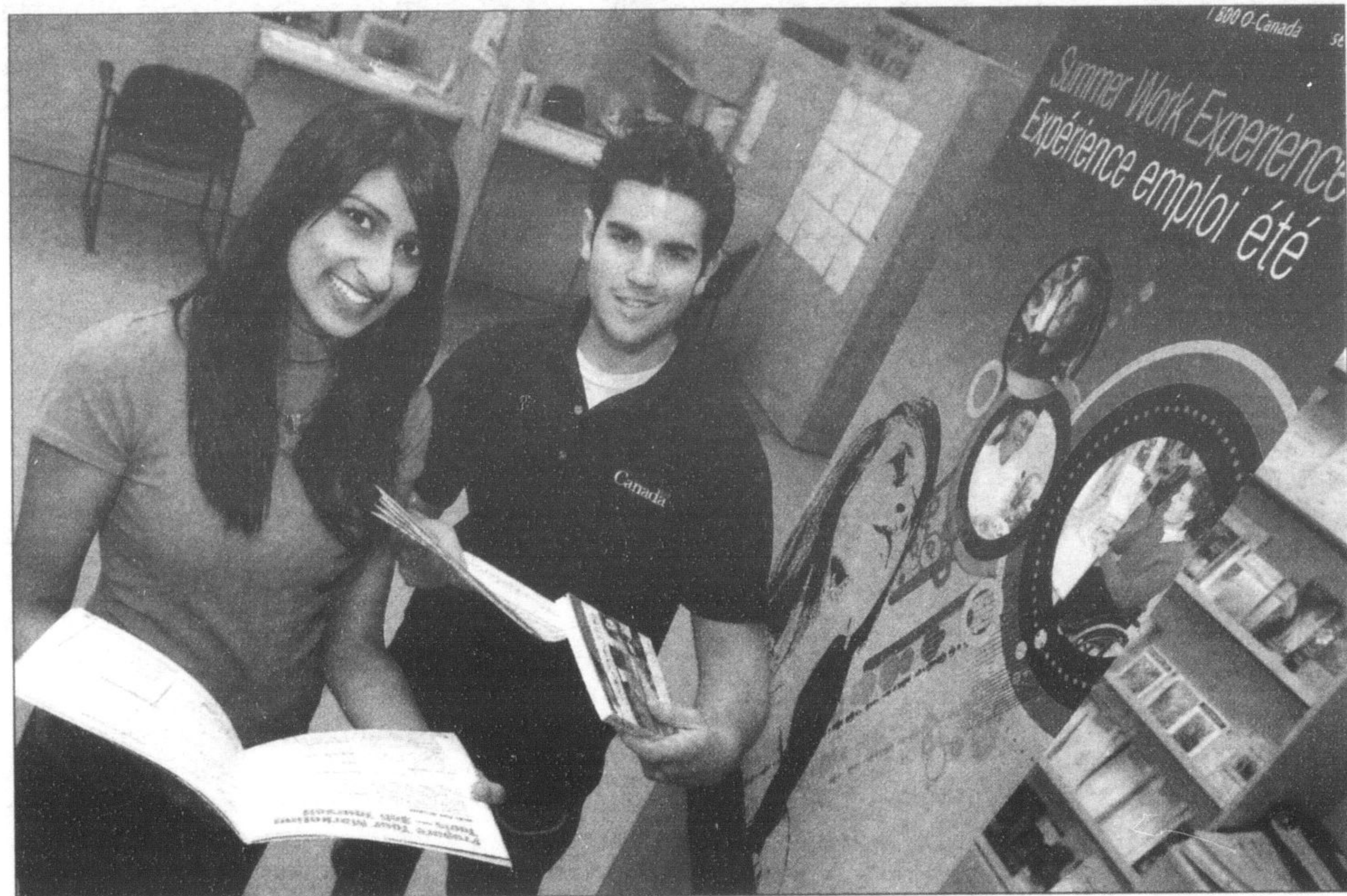


# Help for youths looking for summer job close at hand



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**OPEN FOR BUSINESS:** Youth service officers Monica Karrer and Paul Ballin hold some materials to promote this week's 'Hire a Youth Week,' part of the Summer Work Experience.

## Job postings up from '07; lots to choose from

Milton's Service Canada Centre for Youth is open for business and ready to help local students find the perfect summer job.

Youth service officers Paul J. Ballin and Monica Karrer report that the downtown office currently has 27 job postings, which is up more than 30 per cent from the same time last year.

"We have a lot of restaurant jobs, general labour and camp counselling positions," said Karrer.

The centre — which is marking its 40th year in Milton — also provides assistance with resumés, cover letters, interview skills and job search strategies and offers access to computers and the Internet.

Ballin said the students who come in are encouraged to join the Odd Job Squad when they're looking for work. Youths who are registered on the squad can get casual labour positions such as yard work or painting.

With this week being Hire a Student

Week, the youth service officers are working to encourage employers to post a job with the local office.

"We want to get the word out that we have a lot of students coming in every day looking for work," said Ballin.

Centre staff attended the Milton Street Festival on Saturday to promote the initiative and will also be going to the Milton Public Library and Milton Mall this week.

So what are local employers looking for right now from potential employees?

"They're looking for responsible students who are excited, willing and ready to work," said Karrer.

The Milton Service Canada Centre for Youth is located at 310 Main St. E. It'll be open until July 25.

For more information call (905) 878-8418, ext. 225. To view local job postings on-line visit [www.jobbank.gc.ca](http://www.jobbank.gc.ca).

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