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Tucson firm buys out WCG

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WCG International HR Solutions, an award-winning local company that excels at job-placement programs, has agreed to merge with Providence Service Corporation of Tucson, Ariz.

WCG will sell its controlling interest to Providence while retaining its current management and staff.

WCG has made a name for itself by helping over 65,000 clients find job placements through programs like JobWave and Triumph Vocational Services. The company's success has come during a 10-year period when the number of B.C. residents on income assistance has fallen by about 230,000.

"With the leadership of Providence we can continue the kind of innovative services that have improved thousands of lives in Canada," WCG president Ian Ferguson said in a statement.

WCG has 170 employees and annual revenues of close to \$25 million US and is in 200 communities throughout B.C. and Ontario.

Providence employs 7,000 and has annual revenues of about \$250 million US.

It provides programs for home- and community-based social services to government-sponsored clients working in such areas as child welfare, juvenile justice, Medicaid and corrections.