

Putting the Pieces Together

Comments are from employers who benefit from Park Lawn's Supported Employment Program.

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"Progress exceeded our expectations"

"Park Lawn's SEP is highly recommended for all businesses"

"Outstanding Workmanship!"



Supported Employment Program Philosophy

Preserve and protect the health, safety and dignity of each participant in the program.

Respect each participant as a person with individual needs and desires.

Support each participant in achieving their personal goals and becoming as self sufficient in as many life skills as possible.

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Supported Employment Program



The Perfect Fit for All Employment Needs

They have what it takes to get the job done!

Park Lawn Supported Employment Program

SEP places individuals with developmental disabilities in community jobs. It is of mutual benefit because you and your business gain qualified and dedicated employees and the workers gain independence, self-esteem, and the satisfaction that they are contributing back to their community.

Many Park Lawn Supported Employment participants have worked for the same company for 10 years or more. Employees hold a variety of positions including the following:

**Filing • Shredding • Answering Phones • Copying
Food Service • Janitorial & Cleaning • Assembling
Mail Processing • Production Work**



Mudiwa

Mudiwa, "Dee" puts her best effort into all of the office work that she does twice a week. Dee works at a window retailer and enjoys cleaning the display windows, shredding and filing.

Job Coach Support

As part of the program, a Supported Employment Job Coach is assigned to the employee(s). The job coach assumes the responsibility for any training necessary in order for the worker to adjust to the job setting. This eliminates any time and additional expenses for the employer. The job coach is provided at no charge by Park Lawn.

The job coach also provides consultation at the employment site to develop procedures, templates, and/or communication methods which will maximize the SEP employee's job performance.

Prior to community placement all participants receive vocational training at Park Lawn's workshop, where skills are enhanced to suit job specifications and performance.



Tom

Tom has been working in the community since June 1989. He recently received his 10 year pin for his dedicated work. Tom is constantly seen with a smile on his face while performing his overall janitorial cleaning tasks.

Employer Satisfaction

SEP employees feel it is a privilege to work and often bring a good spirit to the business environment.

Given the opportunity, SEP workers prove their ability and value to the work force.

Participating employers agree that SEP workers are efficient team workers with great attendance and are the perfect fit for any employment needs.



Joyce

Joyce was one of the first participants in the Supported Employment Program in June 1986, when she worked as a salad chef. In 1999, Joyce accepted a job where she packages parts for foreign cars. She enjoys removing and adding parts and folding the boxes to hold the auto kits.

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