National Disability Employment Awareness Month

October 2015
Hello Claire,

I hope you are doing well! October marks a significant time for us here at PathPoint as we celebrate National Disability Employment Awareness Month. This is a unique opportunity to highlight the local businesses, corporations and partners who truly make independent living a success for our individuals and communities. These partnerships have encouraged growth, job opportunities and life skills for each participant involved. We are thankful for these relationships and would like to give you a glimpse of how local employers have changed both our participant’s lives as well as our communities for the better.

Please enjoy the stories below, and stay tuned throughout the month for more features. It’s community partnerships like these that truly make all the difference.

Thank you again for all you do - we are so appreciative of each one of you!

Regards,

Cindy Burton, CEO

National Disability Employment Month Success Stories

Kern County
Home Depot of Kern proudly employs two PathPoint participants: Daniel and Adrian. Daniel has worked with Home Depot for 17 years, and has received job coaching from PathPoint since 2008. Adrian was hired in April 2015. Both gentlemen have been honored with Home Depot's Homer Award for excellent customer service and are spoken very highly of by store management. The Home Depot managers are committed to Daniel and Adrian's success and are extremely appreciative and supportive of the partnership with PathPoint's Job Coaches.

Los Angeles

K-Mart and PathPoint have developed a truly amazing community partnership in Long Beach, CA. This particular store location alone has employed as many as (6) individuals from PathPoint. Robyn, Softlines Merchandiser, has successfully transitioned from Community Access Services to Individual Supported Employment. July 2015 marked her 1 year of employment with K-Mart. Robyn is so proud to describe her journey and encourages her peers in the day program to focus on their goals to become gainfully employed.

Santa Barbara

In Santa Barbara, UCSB has been one of our longest standing employment relationships - providing individuals with disabilities career opportunities for over 20 years. This partnership exemplifies the steadfast employment and relationship PathPoint and UCSB have developed over the years. Currently, we have four work crews at UCSB. As Joseph a PathPoint participant at UCSB said "This job has allowed me to grow as person. I travel to and from work on the bus each day. The job has allowed me to become more independent."

Ventura County

In September 2014 PathPoint re-joined the landscaping community at CSUCI and were welcomed back with open arms. The crew consists of three participants and one coach, working part-time Monday-Thursday. The participants excel daily with each task they are assigned, and are constantly exceeding the expectations at CSUCI. PathPoint would like to honor CSUCI and its affiliates for their consistent support and partnership to provide this opportunity of paid work for the individuals we support.
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