BREAKING EMPLOYMENT BARRIERS!

Thank you to the Waterford Department of Public Works (DPW) for being incredible advocates for our amazing individuals served, Melvin and Darnell! Both gentlemen were recently hired to work on a variety of outdoor and indoor tasks at the Waterford Township Civic Center.

Melvin has noted that he enjoys this opportunity so far and looks forward to learning a lot of new skills. Darnell was working at Home Goods/ Marshalls but wanted a new opportunity in which he could learn new skills and expand his resume. When presented with the opportunity to work at Waterford DPW, he took the job offer immediately!

Our wonderful staff member, Lynn, is the job coach working with Melvin and Darnell, and was instrumental in maintaining a positive relationship with the supervisors of this site.

Congratulations to both individuals and great work on breaking employment barriers!

Darnell has taken this opportunity to expand his skills and experiences and is enjoying the responsibility the maintenance tasks give.

Melvin doing a fantastic job helping maintain the work sites.
Project SEARCH Interns in Action at Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital

New Horizons has been providing Work Skills Training as part of a collaboration with the Project SEARCH® program at the Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital.

This year’s interns have been learning the processes within different areas of the hospital as part of their rotations.

The job tasks vary per department and include: preparing patient rooms, working in the gift shop, planting and harvesting in the hospital greenhouse, and working in supply chain organizing and sorting various hospital supplies.

Project SEARCH® is a partnership with support and resources from a host business site, local school districts, Community Mental Health (CMH), Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS)/Vocational Rehabilitation (New Horizons Rehabilitation Services, Inc.), community rehabilitation providers, and a long-term support agency.

Working the Greenhouse: Kenneth Allen is planting seeds with the Greenhouse Supervisor, which will be harvested when matured and used in the HFBB Hospital kitchen.

Working in the Gift Shop: Luke Benke is helping to greet the guests, and gift wraps the merchandise.

Working in Supply Chain Management: RJ Teakols is sorting and organizing the linens. The linens are placed onto shelves for daily use and distributed to different departments throughout the hospital.

Working in Endoscopy: Arielle Selensky is preparing patient rooms which includes sanitizing and making the beds.

Work Readiness Program Leads to Hiring

Dedicated, enthusiastic, and hardworking - these are only a few descriptors of how amazing Brandon Woelm has been in his new role as a Grocery Clerk at Meijer in Auburn Hills.

Brandon began the Lake Orion Work Based Learning program in early 2021, starting with a Work Readiness/Soft Skill in class training. The next 8 weeks took Brandon to Meijer for the Work Based Learning (WBL) portion of the program.

In October, Brandon attended a 2-week, in-class “refresher” course for Appropriate Work Behaviors and Job Expectations. He then completed another 8-week Work Based Learning session at Meijer where he excelled in work skills and independence.

We’re proud to share that in mid-December, Brandon interviewed with Human Resources at Meijer and was offered the part time position! Major kudos to our incredible Employment Specialist, Laura Beley, for working with Brandon and placing him at Meijer.

32nd Annual “Make A Difference” Charity Auction was a Success!

New Horizons 32nd Annual “Make A Difference” Charity Auction was a groovy success! This year’s theme was “Disco Fever,” and 240 guests danced the night away in their bell bottoms and platforms, bid on 165 silent items and 13 live items, learned to balloon dance the “Hustle,” and had fun in the photo booth!

We are pleased to announce New Horizons raised over $86,000 in proceeds to be used for job training and job placement services for individuals with disabilities, leading them on a path to employment!

We want to recognize our amazing Auction Chair, Gary Clark and Auction Vice Chair, Justyn Michalski, for their unyielding efforts in conjunction with Event Planners Dawn Caracillo and Fenar Mayes, for this important fundraiser.

Thank you to our incredible sponsors, donors, and constituents for their generosity! This event was a success, because of your advocacy and outpouring of support.

We are so grateful for all who contributed to this event.

A special thank you to our wonderful volunteers for all their efforts during the evening. A job well done to everyone!
JOIN THE NEW HORIZONS TEAM!

We love to see our New Horizons team grow! We are looking for motivational people who want a PURPOSE in their daily job. Work side-by-side with our wonderful individuals served through various positions that are offered.

Open positions include:

- Direct Support Professionals (DSP)
- Job Coaches (part-time and full-time)

Are you the one? Send your resume to our Director of Human Resources, Jason Kaszubski, at jkaszubski@newhorizonsrehab.org.

WE ARE HIRING!

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