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### Hitachi Metals America, Ltd. and Peoples United Community Foundation Award Grants to CAREERS for People with Disabilities

Valhalla, New York, April 14, 2014 – Grants from **Hitachi Metals America, Ltd.** and **Peoples United Community Foundation** will support **CAREERS for People with Disabilities**, a non-profit whose mission is to insure that all disabled individuals find sustained, meaningful employment in the communities in which they live.

Peoples United Bank Customer Service Manager Paula Saraiva and Senior Market Manager Stephen Shealy presented a check to CAREERS' Program and Transition Coordinator Jen Retacco and client Peter Marshall recently at CAREERS' Valhalla office.

"The \$2,500 donation from Peoples United Community Foundation will support our Workforce Readiness, Placement and Training Program," according to CAREERS' Executive Director Tina Cornish-Lauria. "The Foundation supports many organizations in the community, and we are thrilled to be included in their philanthropic mission."

"Hitachi Metals has been a supporter of CAREERS since 2009. This \$10,250 grant represents an endorsement of our Supported Work programs and the success we are able to achieve with our unique one-on-one relationship with each client and employer," continued Ms. Cornish-Lauria. "Special thanks to Hitachi Metals for their continued support which assures that we can continue helping disabled individuals achieve independence through employment."

Since 1987, CAREERS has made over 2,200 job placements and provided support services to well over 6,000 people with disabilities in Westchester and Putnam Counties. In 2013, CAREERS' placed 120 people in new jobs -- an 11% increase over 2012.

For more information on CAREERS programs for disabled individuals or employers in need of qualified help, contact CAREERS' Valhalla office, which serves central and lower Westchester at 914-741-8500, or the Carmel office, which serves northern Westchester and Putnam Counties, at 845-225-8007. For more information, please visit [www.careersforpeoplewithdisabilities.org](http://www.careersforpeoplewithdisabilities.org), or friend us on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/CAREERSforPeople>.

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