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Program Service Accomplishments of the Past Year (2010):

Our **Supported Work Program** is the cornerstone of all CAREERS' services through which job placement, job coaching, and post-employment support take place. All clients are referred to this main program for their job placement and follow-along services. During 2010, CAREERS provided job services and support to 428 individuals and placed 78 individuals in new jobs. Equally important, we <u>helped the majority of our clients retain their jobs</u> – even as unemployment rose in the general populous.

- ✓ Our High School Transition Program provides services to high school juniors and seniors with disabilities throughout Putnam and Westchester Counties. In 2010, we collaborated with 55 high schools and placed 28 students in new jobs. We also became the first agency in our area to partner with a local school district to provide training to school personnel in job coaching.
- ✓ Our Community Transition Program, modeled after our High School Transition Program, reaches out to individuals in psychiatric programs to teach them job readiness skills and increase their access to meaningful jobs. In 2010, we provided services to 64 individuals and placed 12 of them in new jobs.
- ✓ Our Corporate Outreach Program helps disabled individuals obtain employment within larger businesses and corporations, which they often can't access. In 2010, CAREERS met with 95 local businesses and facilitated 23 job placements.
- ✓ Our Workforce Readiness, Placement and Training Program, created and implemented in September 2009, teaches job readiness and financial skills so clients can obtain and maintain employment, as well as develop financial independence. During 2010. we held 57 Workforce Readiness classes, taught a total of 56 clients, and set-up and attended 45 job interviews and placed 24 clients in new jobs.
- Our Financial Education Training Program is our newest classroom-style curriculum-based program which is a follow-up to the Workforce Readiness, Placement and Training Program. It starts in 2011 and will teach financial literacy, covering such topics such as; how to save money, budgeting, banking and how to select and responsibly use credit cards.