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### Program Accomplishments during 2011:

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 2011, CAREERS provided job services and support to 466 individuals and placed 98 individuals in new jobs – a 26% increase over the previous year! Equally important, we helped the majority of our clients retain their jobs – even as unemployment rose in the general populous. Our annual retention rate increased to 71% - the highest rate since 1988!

- √ Our **High School Transition Program** provides services to high school juniors and seniors with disabilities throughout Putnam and Westchester Counties. In 2011, we collaborated with 55 high schools and placed 36 students in new jobs – a 30% increase over the prior year. We also expanded our partnerships with local school districts 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 increases their access to meaningful jobs. In 2011, we provided services to 50 individuals and placed 13 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 2011, CAREERS met with 56 local businesses, facilitated 70 interviews and placed 49 clients in jobs – a 113% increase over the prior year.
- √ 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 2011, we held 71 Workforce Readiness classes, taught a total of 117 clients, and set-up and attended 37 job interviews and placed 27 clients in new jobs. We continued to expand this program, which we launched just two years ago, by contractually partnering with new local school districts to provide high school transition services to students and train school personnel in job coaching. These new contracts enabled us to teach 61 additional students job readiness skills – a 10% increase over the prior year!