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Program Accomplishments - 2022:

Our **Supported Work Program** is the cornerstone of all CAREERS' services through which job placement, job coaching and post-employment support take place. We provided services in Westchester, Putnam and lower Dutchess Counties. In 2022, the need for our services grew as more people returned to the labor force and job openings increased. In 2022, CAREERS provided job placement services and support to 391 individuals, placed 71 in new jobs and 43 in internships. Our annual retention rate was 70% - quite an accomplishment for the disabled population we provide services to.

- ✓ Our **High School Transition Program** provides services to high school juniors and seniors with disabilities throughout Westchester, Putnam and lower Dutchess Counties. In 2022, we received 124 referrals and provided job training, placement and follow-along services to 194 students and placed 35 students in new jobs or paid internships.
- ✓ Our Ambition In Motion (AIM) Program, a day habilitation program without walls, bridges the gap from school to life as an adult by teaching independent living and job preparation skills. Created to serve individuals with disabilities not quite ready for supported work, this program is tailored to their interests and abilities and encourages community interaction through volunteering and participating in social and recreational activities. In 2022, we provided services to 11 people in two groups. There were a total of 7 men and 4 women that benefited.
- ✓ Our Workforce Readiness, Placement and Training Program, teaches job readiness and financial skills so our clients can obtain and maintain employment, as well as develop fiscal independence. During 2022, we held 434 Workforce Readiness classes, taught 175 participants, set-up and attended 45 job interviews and placed 26 clients in new jobs.
- ✓ On Course for College is a program for students 18 years or older who have a documented disability, are referred by ACCES-VR and meet the admission requirements of a college for a degree or certificate program. Students who participate receive assistance with admission, health and financial aid forms registration and course selection and personalized access to campus information including tutoring, student rights, accommodations and resources. Our staff provides one-on-one social support and services tailored to the unique and changing needs of each participant, including problem solving, coping skills and stress management.
- ✓ Our newest program is **Jobs for Seniors** for people age 55 and older, with and without disabilities, in Westchester, Putnam and Dutchess counties. Job search programs are customized to meet the needs of each senior and include skills training, resume preparation, placement and ongoing support, if needed. In 2022, we received 47 new referrals, taught 95 workforce readiness classes. We provided services to 72 seniors and placed 9 in jobs.