Approved Grants 2021 (as of 5/14/21)

Foundation Directed

Association of University Centers on Disabilities (Silver Spring, MD) - To plan, develop, advertise and participate in monthly nTide Lunch and Learn webcast reflecting news, research and statistics on disability employment. $25,000.

SHRM Foundation, Inc. (Alexandria, VA) - To develop the Employing Abilities @Work certificate program to influence systematic change in employment practices for individuals with disabilities by preparing HR professionals and people managers to confidently attract, hire, and retain this population successfully in the workplace. $100,000.

University of New Hampshire (Durham, NH) - The UNH Institute on Disability (IOD) will contribute to the National Trends in Disability and Employment (nTIDE) effort by (a) analyzing of statistics published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, (b) analyzing Current Population Survey data, (c) collaboratively drafting and distributing nTIDE Reports with Kessler Foundation (KF), and (d) collaboratively producing nTIDE Lunch & Learn Webinars. $72,478.

Community Employment Grants

Abilities of Northwest Jersey, Inc (Washington, NJ) - To support individuals to increase their financial independence through benefit counseling, meaningful employment with necessary short-term and long-term supports and resources. $38,000.

Alliance Center for Independence (Edison, NJ) - To certify 20 individuals with disabilities on the basics of working in the food service industry, including food prep, safe food handling and customer service. $35,000.

Alternatives, Inc. (Raritan, NJ) - To provide resources, linkages and related support to job seekers in order to bridge the gap to successful employment. $32,000.

Arc of Cape May County, Inc. (The) (South Dennis, NJ) - To support Cape Resorts in recruiting qualified candidates with disabilities and position Cape Resorts as a company of choice. $31,000.

Arc of New Jersey (The) (North Brunswick, NJ) - To promote best practice and exemplary quality supported employment to individuals with I/DD through the enhanced training and certification of staff. $34,000.

Bancroft (Cherry Hill, NJ) - To help people with neurological deficits from injury or illness maximize their functional abilities and move toward the goal of transitioning back into the workforce. $30,000.

BLESSED Ministries, Inc. (Newark, NJ) - RE-SET seeks to provide work-readiness training, employment opportunities, and supportive services to 30 individuals with disabilities, particularly those with substance use disorders. $40,000.

Calais School, The (Whippany, NJ) - To offer young adults 18-30 with learning and “hidden” disabilities the support to transition between school and the workplace. $35,000.

Camden City Garden Club, Inc. (Camden, NJ) - To provide underserved at-risk youth with environmental science education, job skills training, including part-time employment, in preparation for entry into the real world work environment. $25,000.

Career Opportunity Development, Inc. (Egg Harbor, NJ) - To successfully transition consumers into integrated community employment, CODI is requesting funding to hire a transitional employment specialist. $35,000.
Center For Educational Advancement (Flemington, NJ) - To provide support to individuals with disabilities facing greater barriers to re-entering the workforce during and following the pandemic. $35,000.

Cheshire Home (Florham Park, NJ) - Cheshire Home will create a training and employment program for residents with paralysis, focusing on work from home opportunities to encourage independence and financial security. $40,000.

Easter Seals New Jersey (East Brunswick, NJ) - To expand the breadth and scope of topics covered in skills training and workforce development while simultaneously increasing the number of individuals served. $40,000.

Georgian Court University (Lakewood, NJ) - To fund the Campus Life Coordinator position for the Transition & Career Studies Program, a new 4-year, residential, inclusive college program at Georgian Court University. $40,000.

Goodwill Industries of Greater New York and Northern New Jersey, Inc. (Astoria, NY) - To expand services for people with disabilities through a Community Engagement Specialist who will recruit, enroll, and refer individuals to available community supports. $35,000.

HABcore, Inc. (Tinton Falls, NJ) - To expand the Supported Employment component to HABcore’s Independence Pathways Program to assist formerly homeless residents with special needs achieve sustained, gainful employment. $40,000.

Jewish Family Service of Atlantic & Cape May Counties (Margate, NJ) - To increase employment among individuals with SMI by integrating vocational services into their holistic recovery and community integration plans. $40,000.

Rutgers, The State University (New Brunswick, NJ) - To conduct focus groups for individuals with disabilities and caregivers, disseminate mobility guide developed for youth seeking employment, and conduct mobility coaching using this tool. $25,000.

Shore Clubhouse A NJ Nonprofit Corporation (Long Branch, NJ) - To provide an opportunity for members to learn practical skills that can be transferred into paid employment. $40,000.

Township of Evesham (Marlton, NJ) - To provide on-site employment opportunities, along with supportive career developing services, to assist youth living with disabilities successfully transition into adulthood. $40,000.

VISIONS/Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired (New York, NY) - Virtual sessions will be made available to NJ adults, 18+ years old and provide them with training in best practices for finding and keeping employment. $40,000.