

JVS Human Services

JVS Human Services offers a continuum of services for adults with disabilities at all levels of needs and desires ranging from community integration and socialization programs through supported employment, competitive integrated employment and customized employment opportunities. Our experienced team includes a Positive Behavior Supports Specialist who is able to observe, assess, and provide compassionate support utilizing the Culture of Gentleness to individuals and their families who are struggling with emotional or behavior issues. Our intensive wrap-around services meet people where they are to help them reach the goals that they have set for themselves. We are excited to offer the following programs:

Vocational

Skill Building – Individuals build their skills and become more integrated into the community through meaningful volunteer work at local non-profits.

Supported Employment – Participants are assisted in successfully finding and maintaining a employment that meets their skills, interests and abilities with on-going job coaching support.

Non-Vocational

Individuals with disabilities engage in enriching activities to keep them active and engaged in the community.

Activities and Enrichment Programs – Individuals participate in engaging facility-based and community activities in order to remain active and involved in their communities.

Caring Companions – Adults with disabilities and dementia engage in stimulating activities in a safe, secure and caring environment to maintain their dignity and highest level of functioning.

Supports Coordination

The JVS LIFE program helps people pursue their interests, live more independently and make important decisions by linking them with needed services. This may include medical, social, vocational, educational and community support services as well as assistance in obtaining legal representation, transportation and respite care. as well as assistance in obtaining legal representation, transportation and respite care.

COVID-19 Response

JVS Human Services adopted CDC, State of Michigan and other governing agency recommendations and regulations to develop a comprehensive Safe Work Plan in order to keep participants and staff safe from the Covid-19 virus. This includes COVID-testing, daily health screening and temperature taking in addition to the wearing of face masks, social distancing and frequent disinfecting. In an effort to keep participants safe and engaged, we have developed a virtual skill-building program in addition to our facility-centered programing. Our virtual team engages participants from community locations in order to keep people connected to their communities and the wider world. We offer virtual groups, based on interest, to develop social skills and soft skills to help participants move towards their employment goals. Additionally, we continue to operate our Supported Employment Program, providing meaningful work for people with disabilities, as well as our community-based Skill Building program. Skill Building participants have played a critical role during the pandemic by packaging and delivering food to seniors and others in need. JVS Human Services also maintains a Supports Coordination team that continues to connect with people through virtual platforms.

JVS is currently accepting referrals for our programs and can provide virtual “tours”. Please contact Ted Gowey (248-233-4334/ tgowey@jvshumanservices.org) for Vocational Programming and Susan Silva (248-233-4331/ ssilva@jvshumanservices.org) for Community Integration Programming.