

# Welcome to the Family!



On July 1, 2020 we welcomed ALTEC Services as a division of Access Services. We are proud to partner with an organization that is also mission minded and committed to quality services.

The merge with ALTEC brings the exciting addition of Employment Services for individuals with intellectual disabilities and autism in Bucks and Montgomery County. Employment Specialists and Job Coaches work with individuals to locate and maintain employment in the community. This supports Pennsylvania's commitment to be an Employment First state, where competitive employment in the community is the preferred option for Pennsylvanians with intellectual disabilities and autism.

Throughout the difficult times caused by COVID-19, the individuals supported through Employment Services have been hard at work. About 25% of the individuals have worked at essential businesses throughout the pandemic. Other clients remained committed to their job search while others, like so many people in our country, were put on furlough and stayed at home to stop the spread of the virus.

We are especially proud of Nathan, whose work ethic shone throughout COVID-19. Nathan remained committed to his job search with help from Barb, his

Employment Specialist. Together, Nathan and Barb identified a list of essential businesses in need of employees and after an excellent interview in April, Nate was hired at Rockhill Mennonite Community in Sellersville. With each day that passes and each goal that Nathan surpasses, it becomes more evident that this is an excellent fit for both Nathan and Rockhill Mennonite.

Nathan was hired to collect the trash and recycling from all the buildings within the large campus. After he finished his training, he completed these tasks with time to spare. He took the initiative to ask coworkers within the maintenance department if they needed assistance with additional duties. Nathan, who has his driver's license, now drives a gator to collect trash from the exterior of the campus and also waters the beautiful gardens on site. Nathan has become a friendly face that all residents know, and his boss never hesitates to give him great feedback.

Individuals supported through Employment Services are dedicated, reliable workers who are eager to actively participate in their communities. If you have a connection with a business in Bucks or Montgomery County that is interested in hiring a skilled worker with the support of an Employment Specialist, who can reduce job training time for the employer, please reach out to Gabriella Egan –

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