



## Supported Employment

Categories : [Disability Related Services](#), [Employment and Training](#)

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Supported employment programs help people with disabilities to find and keep employment in the competitive labor force. Community based organizations such as local chapters of The Arc, Goodwill Industries, the Mental Health Association of Connecticut and the Connecticut Institute for the Blind provide supported employment services as well as other vocational supports.

### COST

Services are provided at no cost to people with disabilities who receive services through one of the state agencies listed above.

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE

Must have a disability that results in a significant barrier to employment and must need support services to find and retain employment in the competitive labor force

### HOW TO APPLY

For needs assessment and linkage to appropriate vocational rehabilitation programs, contact the [Department of Aging and Disability Services \(ADS\)](#)

Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services Supported Employment page:

<https://portal.ct.gov/DMHAS/Initiatives/Evidence-Based/Supported-Employment-Services>

Bureau of Rehabilitation Services page (now part of the Department of Aging and Disability Services):

<https://portal.ct.gov/AgingandDisability/Content-Pages/Bureaus/Bureau-of-Rehabilitation-Services>

### TO FIND PROVIDERS IN CONNECTICUT'S COMMUNITY RESOURCES DATABASE:

Search by service name: [Supported Employment](#)

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*SOURCES: Department of Aging and Disability Services; Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services;*

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