



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

MARCH

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Happy Spring! The sun has returned, flowers and trees are blooming, and along with it, a renewed sense of hope (and allergies for some.) As our counties slowly reopen, I want to remind everyone how important / necessary it will be to SES and our customers that staff remain flexible and available regarding scheduling to ensure our customers are supported appropriately upon re-entering employment settings, as well as new job starts. Some job sites will be opening with different regulations and tasks for our customers, and it will be vital to be available for increased job coaching supports to ensure continued success. Please remember that communication is key, and the support team in the office is available to help you with these transitions as you work along-side your customers. Thanks for all you do, and your valuable contribution to the SES team!

Kelly Graves- President

THE EXTRA MILE! SES GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND



This month SES would like to highlight a few of our staff members for the exemplary work and support they provide in the field. Team member contributions such as these make all the difference in cultivating success in a supported position.

This month, SES would like to highlight the services provided by,

Garet Dworshak - I would like to thank Garet for his "get it done" attitude. Garet is our Support Specialist II and provides site supervision, job coaching and staff supports just to name a few. Garet has worn many hats in his time with us and is willingly to take on any task that comes his way. Whether it be moving furniture to our new office space, setting up our security system, working with challenging customers, working late nights or dealing with last minute schedule changes, he can be counted on to do his best. Thank you, Garet! You are appreciated!

Christine Jump - Christine has been recognized by multiple agencies as being a strong advocate for our customers and ensuring their needs are met. Christine works diligently within SES ensuring the website and system are fully functional at all times. She is great with problem solving and providing feedback to her colleagues. Christine gives a 110 % when faced with any problem and will not stop working on it until the problem is resolved.

Barry Buchert - Barry has been a huge help with completing the Person Centered Information portion of the customers ISPs. He also has shown great flexibility with his schedule to ensure the SES customers he is supporting are covered regardless of their schedule changes.

Happy Anniversary



Ryan Southworth - began 7 years ago with SES on **March 19th, 2014**

BREAKING NEWS

WHAT RISK LEVEL IS OUR COUNTY'S?

Lane County's Current Risk Level: Moderate

Lane County lowered into the Moderate risk category for the two-week period beginning March 12. Counties are assigned a risk level every two weeks based on specific metrics. Guidance for activities are based on risk level.

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With the reduced risk level comes new guidance including what is allowed for indoor activities such as dining, gyms, entertainment establishments and faith institutions.

Linn County will remain in Moderate Risk. Benton County has moved into High Risk Level.

County risk levels will be reassigned every two weeks. The next assignment of risk levels will be announced March 23 and take effect March 26.

Source: <https://www.eugene-or.gov/>; <https://albanyvisitors.com/covid-19-updates-ava-and-albany-businesses/>

CUSTOMERS MILESTONES

- **John "Austin" W.** - Will be employed for two year with Fred Meyer on **3/22/2021!** Austin is a parcel clerk/cart attendant and has proven himself to be a reliable and dedicated employee. He is looking forward to moving up in the company and is working towards getting into a stocking position.
- **Matthew H.** - Will be employed for two year with Wal-Mart on **4/1/2021!**
- **Angie E.** - Will be employed for four years with Coastal Farm and Ranch on **4/4/2021!**
- **Michael L.** - Will be three year anniversary with Albertsons on **04/5/2021!**
- **Amber B.** - She has been volunteering at Habitat ReStore in Albany for 4 years. After missing most of the last year, she is glad to get back to work. Amber has grown a lot and is now able to get started on her own and finish up the day with SES supports. Amber is also in job development and is looking forward to gaining her first paid job!
- **Tyler M.** - Tyler has finished his Discovery after losing his long term employment gig at James Gang last March due to COVID. He started volunteering at the Lebanon Habitat ReStore several months ago and is excited to get into job development and find a new employment opportunity

NEW JOB STARTS

- **Matt S.-** began working with SES Job Development services in 2017. He had a goal of working in retail or a customer service role. He was recently offered and accepted a position working at Diamond Deli as a Deli Assistant, performing various duties throughout the deli. This is a 16 hour per week position. Congratulations, Matt!
- **Josalyn J.-** is one of the newer customers to work with Job Development services. She began her job search on 11/2020. Josalyn recently accepted a position with Eugene Textile Company as an Inventory Assistant. This is a 20 hour per week position. Congratulations, Josalyn!

- **Shawn G.-** returned to Job Development services after being laid off from his position at Churchill Estates. He accepted a position with Walmart Neighborhood Market as a Health Ambassador. This is a 16 hour per week position. Congratulations, Shawn!

"Employment Services for Business and for Workers with Disabilities"

GET TO KNOW SES IN ALBANY:

As things are slowly starting to open up, we are finding that there have been many changes with our partners at LCDD and OVRS. There have been numerous staff changes across the board and we are all getting acquainted. Employers are opening up as well - primarily in the food and janitorial industries. We are all looking forward to learning what our new normal will be!

Deb Smith- Employment Services Coordinator

FULL ACCESS CUSTOMER SUCESS

STORY IS ON DALE MCGEE

Dale, a longtime Full Access client, recently succeed in his long-term goal of moving to the Oregon coast with some help from his PA and awesome support team.

Way to go Dale!

For full post see:

<https://www.facebook.com/SupportedEmploymentServicesOregon>

JUST FOR LAUGHS:

Having done the Mentoring Skills Questionnaire
I think I need a mentor to mentor me in
improving my mentoring



MEET OUR CUSTOMERS!

WHO IS UP NEXT FOR EUGENE JOB DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

- **Fran VA.-** Fran began in Job Development services in 03/2019. Due to COVID-19 and underlying health conditions, Fran decided to take a step back from JD services through 2020. She recently got her second vaccine and will be resuming an active job search in April! Fran is looking for minimal light-duty work such as napkin rolling and dining room stocking.
- **Jeremy Z.-** began his job search with SES in 06/2019. He has experience working in a cashiering role and is looking for part-time work in a courtesy clerk or stocking position.
- **William P.-** began working with SES in 07/2019. Since starting his job search, he has had the opportunity to participate in an internship with Lacle County at the Glenwood Refuse Station. He has been invited to return once they have the labor hours available. He has a part-time job goal to obtain a position in production work.

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND RESOURCES

Willamette Lane offers ideas and classes to Stay busy and active with NEW at-home:
https://www.willamalane.org/classes_and_programs/index.php

Linn county Pamplin Media Group offers a variety of virtual events and informative classes:

<https://www.pamplindigitalmedia.com/events/>

Event URL for Eugene/Springfield area:
<https://www.eugenecascadescoast.org/events/full-event-calendar/>

or

<https://wheremindsgrow.org/events>

Events In Albany and surrounding areas go to:
<https://www.albany.com/events/>
or
<https://westlinnoregon.gov/parksrec/parks-recreation-advisory-board-97>

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