

SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT SERVICES, INC.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Fall is fast approaching! SES wants to continue to express its gratitude towards each and everyone of its team members. We would not have maintained our level of service or been able to stay open during this uncertain time if it was not for the dedication and reliability of each of you. SES recognizes the struggle we are all facing in our personal lives around the pandemic, maintaining families and the COVID mandates. SES would like to thank you all for keeping a positive attitude in this time when supporting our customers, interacting with the community partners and with each other. It is truly amazing to work with so many wonderful and caring individuals who are willing to put others before themselves in an uncertain time. Thank you for all you do on a daily basis.

Kelly Graves- President

CUSTOMERS MILESTONES/SHOUT OUTS

- **Alanna C.** - Will be employed for **two** years with Service Management Systems on **9/23/2021!** Alanna is a cleaning attendant and is also helping to train new team members!
- **Shana J.** - Has been employed for **Seventeen** years as a Courtesy Clerk with Albertson's as of **9/15/2021!!!** Congratulations, Shana!
- **Leslie R.** - Will be employed for **four** years with Food For Lane County on **9/21/2021!** Leslie was tentative about starting work, but has found his work home with FFLC!
- **Justin L.** - Celebrated **eleven** years working as a Cart Attendant with Walmart!!! He began in his position on **9/8/2010.**
- **Kealey M.** - Celebrates **two** years as a Team Associate at Marshall's. She began in her position on **9/16/2019** and has become an integral member of the team.
- **Peter M.**- Began working with the Follett Corporation as a Cashier at the LCC Titan Bookstore on **9/6/2017.** He is celebrating **four** years of employment with the company.
- **Frankie K.** - has been taking part in Supported Living Services for **two** years on 10/1/2019.
- **Christina C.** - Was asked back to Ya Po Ah after being laid off in January of 2020 due to the COVID pandemic. **Welcome back !!**

19 YEARS!

Tammy E.- Who is currently a supported living customer is celebrating 19, that's right, 19 Years working as a Courtesy Clerk with Market of Choice!!! To this day she continues to takes pride in her work and if asked will express gratitude towards SES founder Kathy for helping her find this employment opportunity. Congratulations, Tammy on almost two decades of service in your position.

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,

Craig Aanes - Shout out for Craig! Craig has been an instrumental part of Nathan's success at Brookdale. Nathan has hit a few "bumps" with his first employment experience and Craig has been an integral part of his success thus far. Craig's well-seasoned job coaching abilities, patience, and persistence have been a definite asset. Craig has also been assisting Ashley at the LB office with sorting through boxes of customer files to lessen her load while she is doing her best to provide office supports to both Linn and Lane offices. Thank you, Craig!!

Manto George - For his ability to effectively support a new customer and new employment site. Two weeks into the job the customer has his task list down and all codes memorized. Manto was able to demonstrate proper and effective communication with the customer and his employers. When asked there was no hesitation to introduce the Job Site Coordinator to the appropriate supervisors on shift. He truly displayed the expectations of SES while working in our community. This is greatly appreciated.

Brandon Joyce - Brandon has remained flexible and dependable within his position. He has truly taken to heart everything his supervisor has thought him. He has taken the shared techniques and adapted them to effectively complete his tasks. He has shown growth in balancing scheduling, tracking hours, and site visits which is a great relief to his supervisor. He remains available for his SES team at all times whether it is to answer a question or help problem solve a situation.



NEW JOB STARTS

- **Kyler A.-** began working with SES Job Development services in 2019. He had a goal of working in retail or as a customer service representative. He was recently offered and accepted a position working at For Your Entertainment at Valley River Center in an opening support position, performing various duties throughout the store. This is a 4 hour per week position. Congratulations, Kyler on your new job!
- **Ian TB.-** recently began working in a Cleaning Associate position at Round One Entertainment. Ian started in Job Development services in 2017, Despite his lengthy job search, Ian was not comfortable or interested in working at very many places. However, Round One became one of his target employers, and he was offered a position with them! Congratulations, Ian!
- **Chris O.-** returned to Job Development services in 2020 after briefly holding a position at Churchill Estates. Chris did a wonderful job in that role but ultimately felt it was not the best fit and wanted to move forward with finding a different job. He was recently hired as a Cleaning Associate at Round One Entertainment which we hope is a much better fit for him! Congratulations, Chris on your new position!
- **John R.-** has worked with SES for many years and is familiar to many SES staff members. He returned to Job Development services three months ago. John has proven himself to be a dedicated and hard-working individual. These attributes and his work history landed him his new position with Service Management Systems (SMS) at the Valley River Center. Congratulations, John!

"Employment Services for Business and for Workers with Disabilities"

GET TO KNOW SES IN ALBANY:

We have 2 new customers entering Job Development in the next few weeks and business is finally really starting to pick up for the Linn office. We have all had to be flexible with our schedules and support one another. I am so thankful for the dedicated staff we have!

Matthew H. has decided that he would like to pursue a position at Walmart that would allow him to work inside and try something new. Matthew has been successful with his Cart Attendant position for the past two years. We are in the process of supporting Matthew with researching the possible different positions available and what his areas of interest are.

Mason F. was laid off from his position at Burger King when COVID-19 presented itself in March of 2020. He decided this year when he was invited to go back that he wanted to pursue a new employment opportunity. Mason is now back in Job Development and has an upcoming informational interview scheduled soon with a local real estate office, which he is very excited about. Mason is a very sharp dresser (suit and tie guy) and would like to work in a professional office type setting. Mason also has had a goal of attending college! His first class will be an in person Tai Chi class at LBCC which starts soon. Go Mason!

Cheers for the approaching Fall season and cooler weather! Keep safe out there everyone!

Deb Smith- Employment Services Coordinator

MEET OUR CUSTOMERS!

WHO IS UP NEXT FOR EUGENE JOB DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

- **Michael A-** Michael began in Job Development services in 03/2021. He is interested in customer service roles and is looking for a position that offers about 10 hours a week.
- **Parker K.-** Parker began working with SES in 04/2021. He has a general job goal looking for 15-20 hours a week of work. Parker is less concerned with finding a specific job and more concerned with finding work that he will enjoy.
- **Theresa R.-** Yes, that Theresa! She returned to Job Development services in 05/2021. She is looking for a cashiering position that will offer her between 15-20 hours per week.

Happy Anniversary



Brandon Joyce- began 5 years ago with SES on August 24th, 2016!

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://albanyvisitors.com/calendar-of-events/calendar/>

or

<https://westlinnoregon.gov/parksrec/parks-recreation-advisory-board-97>

JUST FOR LAUGHS:

