

Employment Specialists Albany County

Employment Options
d.b.a. Center for Disability Services
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Employment Options provides job development, job placement and retention services to individuals with various disabilities. Employment Specialists train alongside the employees on their caseload and act as a liaison with the employer to advise on any issues relating to the disability and work accommodations it may require. The employment specialists remain available to the employer to assist with new skills training and/or career development.

Living Resources Corporation
300 Washington Avenue Extension
Albany, NY 12203

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New Visions
d.b.a. Albany Co. NYSARC, Inc.
334 Krumkill Road
Slingerlands, NY 12159

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New Visions offers employers a wide gamut of services: an initial screening of candidates, an option to do a supervised performance-based-assessment before actually hiring the candidate, linkage to tax-incentives, intensive on-the-job supports focusing on mastery of job tasks and achieving performance standards followed by as needed supports (minimally twice a month at the work site), information on successfully working with an employee with a developmental disability both as needed and through a monthly newsletter.

Northeast Career Planning
The Norton Center
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Menands, NY 12204

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Northeast Career Planning provides unique opportunities that assist employers meet their hiring and training needs by connecting skilled employees to local businesses. We strive to reduce recruitment time and turn-over by offering employers access to a pool of pre-screened applicants thus complementing the typical recruitment process. NCP offers ongoing support and on-site training to assist employees to maintain quality of work standards needed. Information on hiring incentives, accommodations, and technical assistance is available as well.

Riverside Employment Services
d.b.a. Rensselaer County Chapter NYSARC, Inc.
79 102nd Street, 3rd floor
Troy, NY 12180

Website: www.renselaerarc.org

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Employment Services Coordinator
(518) 274-9232

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Wildwood Programs, Inc.
1190 Troy-Schenectady Rd, Bldg 1
Latham, NY 12110

Website: www.wildwood.edu

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Wildwood Programs Employment Services staff work with business owners and managers to identify your human resource needs, referring and supporting qualified workers that are a good fit for your company. In addition to such job matching services, Wildwood Programs staff are also equipped to provide whatever supports may be necessary for the continuation of a mutually beneficial employment relationship. This may include activities such as job coaching, coordination of tax credits and financial incentives, assistance with accommodations, and the facilitation of networking opportunities with other businesses.

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Albany District Office

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No Cost Business Services:

- Pre-employment services - connecting future employees with companies through internships, mentoring and training that is customized to the business need.
- Recruitment and referral of qualified applicants.
- Staff training on disability awareness, the ADA, other employment laws including topics related to workplace accommodations and assistive technology in the workplace.
- Diversity program strategies that support inclusion of people with disabilities as customers and employees.
- Retention programs to support employees who develop or acquire a disability.
- Financial supports including access to tax credits and/or deductions available for hiring or accommodating people with disabilities.