

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT ALLIANCE

KEEP PEOPLE WORKING IN OUR COMMUNITIES!

In support of individuals with disabilities currently working, and those transitioning into employment, the Community Employment Alliance asks our Washington State Legislators to:

Maintain Funding for Supported Employment Services

- 8,358 Washington citizens with developmental disabilities rely on supported employment services for the training, guidance and follow-along support they need to stay employed.
- Employers have been promised the sustained delivery of these services as a critical component of their hiring decisions. Without ongoing job supports, employer's trust is broken. Future new hires will be in jeopardy.
- In spite of ranking 38th in the nation for its investment in funding, Washington State has consistently been in the top 3 States with regard to successful community employment. This outstanding performance record must not be jeopardized by further budget reductions.

Ensure Supported Employment Services for People Receiving "State Only" Funding

- Safeguard supported employment services for the hundreds of workers who do not qualify for Federal waivers.
- Allow for the continued process of movement to waiver or establish other supports.

Fund Transition Services for High School Students Moving from School to Work

- Dollars spent to assist entry into jobs and careers provides return on the State's Special Education investment for transition graduates. Provide funding for 343 students who are on a Federal Waiver.
- Remedy the funding gap for 1,010 graduates who have no funding due to not being on Federal waivers. Allocate additional waiver slots to provide these vital services.

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Mission

To ensure a future in which people with disabilities
have the same community employment opportunities
as all other citizens.

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