

Shares inc.

MISSION

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COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Shares, Inc. is a Community Rehabilitation Provider (CRP) for Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VR)

Trial Work Experience (TWE)

This is an eligibility determination service for adults with disabilities. Participants work with Shares, Inc. in an employment setting to see if they will benefit from VR Services. This service varies per participant, but typically involves 2-3 weeks of working in a setting and a meeting to discuss the results and plan the next steps.

Vocational Discovery:

Assessments, job shadows, work experiences, informational interviews, job readiness training, supported employment, on-the-job supports, and vocational guidance and planning for adults with disabilities. This service is tailored to each individual and generates an employment plan.

Employment Services Milestones Services

Job development and placement, short term retention, supported employment, on-the-job supports, and retention supports for adults with disabilities. With this service we look for and support a job while following the employment plan.

Benefits Counseling

For individuals receiving benefits such as SSI, SSDI, SNAP, Medicaid, our Benefits Information Network (BIN) Certified Social Services Coordinators will assist in the understanding of working impacting such benefits. This team also helps participants and their families navigate those programs.

About Shares, Inc. Community Employment Services:

No wait lists: our staff have smaller case-loads that allow quicker access to services and a more personalized approach to VR Services. Once a referral is received, the first face-to-face meeting will typically occur within 10 calendar days.

Work in your community: Employment Services staff work with people in their own communities based upon their interests. See our service map.

Experience and Connections: Our dedicated team has worked with hundreds of job seekers, employers and community partners over the past 30 years. We match participants and employers for long-term job placements.



OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
8:00 am -4:00 pm
Evening, night and weekend service hours are provided on case by case basis.

Connect with the Director of Community Employment Services:

Joe Land
317-398-8218 ext. 308
jland@sharesinc.org

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Vocational Rehabilitation Services: Self-Referral and Choosing Shares, Inc.

Self-Referral to Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VRS):

Anyone can self-refer to VRS.

Figure out your local VR Office:

When you call, explain your need for assistance in obtaining and maintaining employment. Have your name, address, phone number, the county you reside in, your Social Security number, and your diagnosis available. Typically, during the call, an intake meeting is scheduled with a VR Intake Counselor; in Marion County there are group orientations being scheduled before intake. At the intake meeting, the participant can bring anyone they want with them to advocate on their behalf—bring an advocate or guardian!

VR Intake and Eligibility:

VRS determines eligibility based upon their intake interview, educational and medical records, and at times will request additional psychological and vocational testing. Have available any medical, diagnosis, benefits, and school records available at the intake meeting to assist VR in their determinations. If found eligible, in order to receive prioritized services, the participant must be found to be Most Significantly Disabled (MSD); typically three or more functional limitations must be determined along with an outlined need for multiple VR services must be in place for someone to meet the MSD criteria. All other designations (Significantly Disabled (SD) and Not Significantly Disabled (NSD) are deferred for service referral. Such designations

Choosing a Community Rehabilitation Provider (CRP):

An eligible VR participant will be provided a pick-list for services by their VR Counselor. Call as many providers on the list as possible. Your VR intake counselor will provide a list of questions to guide you in making a choice. Chose the best provider based upon that information you received.

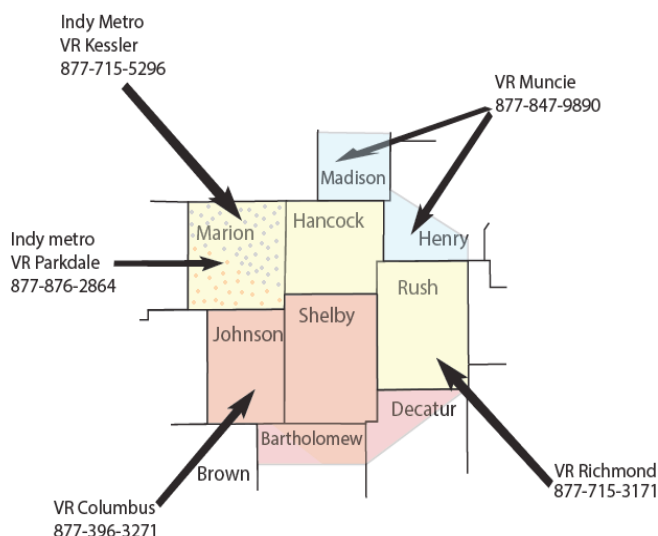
Choosing Shares, Inc. as Your CRP:

If a referred participant choses Shares, Inc. as their provider, the following will happen: The VR Counselor sends a referral to Shares, Inc. This includes a referral form, an authorization to begin services, an individualized plan, along with any relevant medical, educational, or other testing records.

Once this is received, Shares, Inc. will assign an Employment Consultant who will reach out to schedule the first meeting, called an Intake Meeting, which will happen in the office or another location in the community. This first meeting typically happens within 10 calendar days of receipt of the referral and lasts about 1 to 2 hours to fill out necessary paperwork and discuss the next steps with the participant.

We know this is a long process and there can be many questions, and at times, road-blocks. Feel free to reach out to our Director, Joe Land, for guidance and assistance: 317.398.8218 x 308 or jland@sharesinc.org

VR Locations Near You!



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