



Success Story

What's In It for Me?

David came to JobWave in March 2010 not knowing what to expect from the program. He had not worked in four years and felt that his barriers to employment included his limited access to transportation and some personal issues.

During his intake appointment his Case Coordinator Sherry explained the expectations for program participation, and what he could expect from JobWave.

Sherry let David know that JobWave was there to support him and to help prepare him to reach his goals!

David was skeptical, but after attending a few of the Job Seekers' Club workshops he became more comfortable with the idea of having JobWave help him.

David reflects on his experience at JobWave, "I really enjoyed JobWave because everyone involved was after one common goal, to get me employed and it was very refreshing that there are people out there that care about what I do."

David successfully completed all of the assigned workshops, and began applying his new found skills to both his work search efforts and life in general.

"My favorite workshop was Networking," says David, "I have made many contacts and grown my network to twice the original size." As a result of applying what he learned in Job Seekers' Club, David landed a job cleaning houses after people had moved out.

"I stayed on-call for any type of emergency. After it was established that I was reliable, I got a promotion to Maintenance Manager."

Within a few short months, the person that hired David left the company and it was decided that David would replace him.

"I am now Operations and Maintenance Supervisor and studying for my realtor's license. I have about 10 people employed under me," he beams. "I started from the bottom (cleaning) and worked my way to the top (supervisor)." David's advice to others is "Never say no to an entry level position. It pays off!"

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