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LEADERSHIP
THE DD COUNCIL PARTNERED TO TRAIN SIX COMMUNITY AMBASSADORS TO TRAVEL ACROSS THE STATE TO TALK ABOUT TRANSITIONING FROM AN INSTITUTION TO LIFE IN THEIR COMMUNITY

“I get a lot of information from infoNET resources to share with my legislators. It’s also important to continue urging and inspiring persons with developmental disabilities to take action and become more involved.”

Employment
THE IOWA DD COUNCIL AWARDED 5 “EMPLOYMENT TRANSFORMATION" GRANTS TO INCREASE EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES.

THE COUNCIL PARTNERED WITH IOWA VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION TO PROVIDE CUSTOMIZED EMPLOYMENT TRAINING TO 7 COMMUNITY REHABILITATION PROVIDERS.

21 JOB CANDIDATES PARTICIPATED IN THE PROJECT AND 4 FOUND JOBS THROUGH THE PROCESS.

Lake participated in Discovery to learn about his interests, ideal conditions and vocational themes in order to make a successful job match.
IOWANS WITH DISABILITIES, FAMILY MEMBERS, ADVOCATES AND PROVIDERS PARTICIPATED IN THE MAKE YOUR MARK! CONFERENCE IN CORALVILLE.

“The event helped me to be a better self-advocate. It has given me ideas on what and when I need to speak up on issues I care about.”

“Attending the MYM! Conference made me realize the everyone can be a leader, you just need to find your opportunity.”

REACH = 3,500+

68% OF SURVEY RESPONDENTS SAID INFONET’S GUIDE TO THE IOWA LEGISLATURE WAS VERY HELPFUL IN THEIR ADVOCACY EFFORTS

THE ‘TAKE YOUR LEGISLATOR TO WORK’ CAMPAIGN HELPED IOWANS WITH DISABILITIES INCREASE AWARENESS AMONG ELECTED OFFICIALS ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF INCLUSIVE, COMPETITIVE EMPLOYMENT.

IOWANS WERE SUPPORTED IN THEIR ADVOCACY INITIATIVES AT THE STATE CAPITOL, THANKS TO LOCAL CAPITAL DAY GRANTS

9,400+ IOWANS MAKE UP THE IOWANS WITH DISABILITIES IN ACTION NETWORK

20+

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MAKE YOUR MARK!

“What will you say?"