



THE WORK SHEET

Employment happenings in Utah for our peeps.

The Employment Partnership results in agencies collaborating and coordinating their policies, resources, services, and training to more effectively serve individuals with disabilities to achieve their employment goals.

JUST DIAL 211 FOR DISABILITY SERVICES

United Way 2-1-1 of Salt Lake City is working to help individuals and families find the resources they need.

In addition to being able to help find social services, 2-1-1 now hosts the Access Utah Network which helps people with disabilities find services,

resources, and equipment.

Frequent users can set up a user account to keep track of favorite services, send in changes to resources, and set up resource groups.

2-1-1 works with the Governor's Commission on Volunteers to help users find volun-

teer activities under the Volunteer Center tab. The News & Reports tab offers partner highlights for government and non-profit organizations.

Visit 2-1-1 online at <http://www.uw.org/211/> and follow them on Facebook and Twitter, keyword "211utah".

DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT MONTH

October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month. Many organizations that are part of the Employment Partnership are offering activities during the month.

If you are looking for a job, try the Work Ability Job Fair on 10/2 at the Sanderson Com-

munity Center.

If you have a job, consider nominating your employer for a Golden Key Award to recognize supportive employers.

If you are an employer, consider attending the Disability Etiquette workshop to im-

prove your skills in working with employees.

Schools can register to be part of the Disability Mentoring day for students.

For details about these and other events, visit www.workabilityutah.org.

BRIEF UPDATES

The National Governors' Association is launching "A Better Bottom Line: Employing People with Disabilities". Governor Herbert's office was impressed with the PWDNET and the many other current activities in Utah. The Governor's Staff will be preparing a brief for the Governor and

Chair of the National Governor's Association.

The Pioneer Adult Rehab Center's Pallet Grand Prix race was held in September. Pictures from the race can be found by searching "Start your pallets." at www.deseretnews.com.

LEGISLATIVE

Are you registered to vote? Remind your clients to register and vote. Voting for issues, representatives, senators, and the president make a difference. Voting affects the taxes you pay and the services that are available, or cut, for people with disabilities including Medicaid, student loans, and more.

EMPLOYMENT PARTNERSHIP MEMBERS:

In case you wondered...

Individuals with disabilities
Parents and Advocates
Utah State Office of Rehabilitation
USOR Employer Relations
USOR Benefits Planning
Department of Workforce Services
Utah State Office of Education, Special Education
Division of Services for People with Disabilities
Division of Medicaid and Health Financing
Utah Independent Living Council
Division of Substance Abuse & Mental Health
Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind
Division of Community and Family Health Services
Bureau of Children with Special Health Care Needs
Easter Seals
Utah Parent Center
Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities
Utah Association of Community Services
UBET/Chamber of Commerce
Governor's Office of Economic Development
Utah Developmental Disabilities Council
USU Center for Persons with Disabilities
Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities
Work Ability Utah

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

* Additional Disability Employment Awareness Month (DEAM) activities include: Division of Services for People with Disabilities Supported Employment, Utah Center for Assistive Technology Open House, Utah Parent Center Mini Transition Conference, Brain Injury Alliance of Utah Family and Professional Conference,

Disability Benefits and Working, People with Disabilities in Government Professions, What Business Expects, Medicaid and Working, and Pieces of the Puzzle. See the calendar at workabilityutah.org for the details of all DEAM events!

* The theme for the NAMI Utah Conference, November 2nd is linking health and mental

health. Details and registrations materials are available at namiut.org.

* The Utah Parent Center has a variety of training materials and videos on transition, Section 504, autism, and more at www.utahparentcenter.org.

* Save the Date: Family Links March 8-9, 2013 in Provo.

* Next Employment Partnership meeting, October 4 2012 featuring the American Red Cross and a discussion of the National Council on Disabilities Sub-minimum wage recommendations to President Obama. Read it at <http://www.ncd.gov/publications/2012/August232012/>

