



Become a Workplace Partner!

The ACRES Project is a State College 501(c)3 nonprofit working to match neurodivergent individuals -- people who think and process information differently -- to meaningful employment. We are a licensed provider through Pennsylvania's Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) and are currently searching for friendly local workplaces to join our employment programs.



A Diverse Workforce Isn't a Good Deed. It's Good Business.

This mutually-beneficial opportunity creates real world career building experiences for neurodivergent youth and adults, all while providing your organization with a qualified employee and strengthening the local economy.

Neurodivergent individuals are dedicated employees that bring proven value to your business. Studies have shown that more inclusive workplaces often see improved employee productivity.

"[Inclusive] companies are not merely compliant or acting out of perceived obligation. They are excitedly embracing the advantages that come with employing more creative, industrious and well-rounded people."

-Accenture Research, "Getting to Equal: The Disability Inclusion Advantage"

→ Job Coach Support

A trained job coach accompanies the employee to provide support at no cost to you.

→ No Cost, No Obligation to Hire

Not hiring? No problem! We have opportunities for businesses to provide 90 hours of temporary employment experience at no cost and with no obligation to hire once the program ends.

→ Employees That Fit

Before selecting a potential workplace, we spend many hours with job seekers to determine their unique talents, goals, and interests. We never force job placements that are a poor fit.

QUESTIONS? GET IN TOUCH!

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Employer Opportunities



OVR PETS (Pre-Employment Transition Services)

- For young adults aged 14-21
- Temporary, 90-hour employment experience
- **Employee's wages fully covered by ACRES and OVR -- no cost to your business!**
- A trained, professional job coach will be on-site to support the employee at all times during the experience.

OVR Supported Employment

- For adults aged 21+
- Assists job candidate with transitioning into paid employment at your business
- Your new employee receives 40 hours of on-site job coaching to help them successfully transition into your organization, followed by an additional support period to ensure stability and productivity.

Frequently Asked Questions

What kinds of jobs are good for neurodivergent employees?

All kinds! Neurodivergent job candidates are individuals, and each possesses a unique range of skills, talents, and abilities in the workplace. No matter what kind of job opening you have, a person with a disability may be able to fill it.

Is it expensive to hire someone who is neurodivergent?

No. Most neurodivergent employees do not require accommodations that cost anything.

If you have any questions or concerns or would like more information about these programs, please feel free to get in touch with us!



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