**Successful Employment Benefits:**

- Empower the employee
- Increase self-esteem and confidence
- Provide financial independence
- Increase additional funding streams for social activities
- Increase savings accounts
- Expand the employee’s work experience

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**APD Regional Map**

**Northwest Region 850-487-1992**
Bay, Calhoun, Escambia, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Wakulla, Walton, and Washington counties

**Northeast Region 1-844-766-7517**

**Central Region 407-245-0440**
Brevard, Citrus, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Polk, Seminole, and Sumter counties

**Suncoast Region 1-800-615-8720**
Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hendry, Hillsborough, Lee, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, and Sarasota counties

**Southeast Region 561-837-5564**
Broward, Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, Palm Beach, and St. Lucie counties

**Southern Region 305-349-1478**
Dade and Monroe counties

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How Can Supported Employment Help?
Supported Employment helps potential and current employees with significant disabilities find and maintain work. It provides intensive support and extended services to assist the person with performing their job. Ongoing supports include job coaching, matching the worker with the right job, assisting with skills training, and regular monitoring. On-the-job training and ongoing supports are provided intensively at first and decrease as stability is attained.

Supported Employment is usually paid for through two state programs: Vocational Rehabilitation, which pays for the initial job match and on-the-job training, and then the Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD), which pays for ongoing support while the person is working.

- Everyone is considered eligible and employable regardless of their disability.
- The individual makes decisions about what type of job they want to meet their career goals.
- The job is competitive work in an integrated setting for individuals with disabilities for whom competitive employment has not traditionally occurred.
- The salary is the same for all workers performing the job regardless of disability.

It’s Your Future

With the right resources, you can find and maintain employment

Learn new skills and gain confidence through supported employment