

# OOD Jobs for Recovery

Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) helps individuals with disabilities, including substance use disorders, find employment. OOD Jobs for Recovery places a vocational rehabilitation counselor (VRC) as an active member of a drug court interdisciplinary team. Employment is an important part of recovery and rapid engagement is a key component to an individual's success.

## Benefits of Work

- Increased income
- Increased independence
- Connection to people
- Meaningful involvement in the community
- Greater access to medical benefits
- Promotes happiness, confidence, and self-awareness

## Jobs for Recovery Model

- One VRC is dedicated to a caseload of individuals involved with the participating drug court docket(s).
- Rapid access to job placement services is offered through internal job developers or community providers
- OOD staff will attend court proceedings so that full collaboration can be achieved, and support is provided to the individual.

## Types of Services

VR staff help individuals explore their strengths, abilities, and interests to help promote informed choice in selecting the job goal and services provided. Service delivery is individualized and person-centered.

## Typical services may include:

- Career exploration and guidance
- Resume and interview preparation
- Job development and placement
- On-the-job-support
- Work incentives planning
- Assistance with additional employment barriers

**In addition to delivery of OOD services, our staff will assist in the coordination of comprehensive wrap around recovery support, prior to case closure.**

## For general questions about OOD:

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For purposes of the Supported Employment (SE) Program, the DOE SE grant funded 90% of the costs for the Supported Employment for Youth with a Disability Program up to the grant amount and 100% of the costs of regular Supported Employment program costs up to the grant amount. In FFY 2021, OOD received \$299,041 for SE Youth with a Disability, and State appropriated funds paid the remaining 10%, or \$32,933 of the total costs. In FFY 2021, OOD received \$335,518 in regular SE grant funds.

For purposes of the Independent Living Services for Older Individuals Who are Blind (OIB) Program, the federal grant received from DOE in FFY 2021 paid 90% of the total costs incurred under the program. In FFY 2021, OOD received \$1,139,118 in federal grant funds. Funds appropriated by the State paid over the 10% required match, or \$126,568 of the total costs incurred under the OIB program. For purposes of the Independent Living (IL) Program, the federal grant received from HHS paid 90% of the total costs incurred in FFY 2021. In FFY 2021, OOD received \$638,013 in federal grant funds. Funds appropriated by the State paid over the 10% of the match required or \$70,268 of the total costs incurred under the IL Program.