Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Employer Honor Roll

Congratulations, Hope Enterprises
Williamsport

Nominated by Central PA Workforce Development Corporation with Central Susquehanna Opportunities, Inc., EARN Provider

Hope Enterprises enhances the lives of people with developmental disabilities by recognizing their abilities and providing them with caring, responsive programs and services. Founded in 1952 by Dr. Max E. Miller and his wife, Leona, Hope Enterprises has been a front-runner in providing community services to people with developmental disabilities. The company’s involvement with the EARN program has yielded rewarding job opportunities that have ranged from janitorial and transportation, to job coaches and support aides.

Over the last two years, this partnership resulted in the hiring of eight EARN participants. In this program year, Hope Enterprises hired three EARN participants with an average starting wage of $8.75 per hour. These part-time positions provided individuals with opportunities to advance and transition into full-time jobs that provide medical benefits. The company was recognized as one of Pennsylvania Business Central’s Top 100 Organizations.

Hope Enterprises is a fully-engaged business partner with the EARN program and the PA CareerLink®, attending job fairs, conducting recruitments onsite, and providing EARN clients with targeted opportunities. Hope Enterprises’ staff members have also trained EARN participants on topics such as employability or soft skills, networking, and mock interviews. The company empowers participants through guidance and encouragement, and prepares them for the workplace by emphasizing their abilities and providing knowledge about the skills employers seek. As one of Lycoming County’s top 50 employers, Hope Enterprises is a major asset to the community and is instrumental in preparing EARN program participants for the workforce.