



Employment & Education Bi-Monthly News Letter

Welcome to the new installment of the Crossroads Clubhouse Bi-monthly Employment & Education Newsletter.....boy that was a mouthful!!

The aim of this newsletter is to throw out some information and tips about employment & education and perhaps a few hidden secrets. We all know that in the current employment climate this has meant that there are fewer jobs available and people are needing to up-skill to enhance their chances of finding **ANY** type of employment. **BUT**.....what if you were to look at employment in a different way?? What if working became something that you loved to do every day as opposed to just getting paid at the end of the day for a just another J.O.B.? The answer to this question might seem cheesy but try to think of employment as a hobby, something you'd love to do everyday (usually the hardest part of the job search) and then try to turn it into a job. Sounds easy right? Maybe, maybe not? But finding something you love to do or get as close to this option as possible might be within your grasp.

Here at Clubhouse we can work together to look at your desires and your hobbies, throw them together in a melting pot and see what we come up with. Recently I met a woman who had been in the same job for 20 years, yet when talking to her it was like she had just started her job only weeks ago. The passion that went along with that job to learn more, to enjoy it was shining on her face for all to see. On asking her how this was possible her reply was "It doesn't feel like a job, I get to do something I enjoy every day, and as a bonus I get paid for it". Sure every job has its ups and downs but this meant that it is possible to enjoy your job.



Easy steps to get you started

Step one: Come and see how Clubhouse can help you include employment in your recovery journey.

Step two: Meet with someone from the Employment & Education Unit.

Step three: Bring along any idea's you may have around your favorite things to do.

Step four: Set your plan out and start working towards your employment or educational goal.



Transitional Employment in the words of John



Name: John Mustchin

Position Held: Library Assistant

Employer: Mental Health Foundation

What impact has working had in your life:

It has helped keep me motivated to work and I enjoy the company of those I work with and the work itself.

What do you enjoy: There is variety in the job, the trust & respect they have for me, I feel valued, useful & assists financially.

What do you think about Transitional Employment: A good way to get back into the workforce & great to know there is support available for me.

Useful Employment Links



Www.workandincome.govt.nz

For all of your information and links to assist with employment and support, including CV's, cover letters and job bank.

Www.asenz.org.nz

To locate a supported employment agency in your local area.



How You Can Help Crossroads Clubhouse

If you are interested in becoming a friend of Crossroads Clubhouse then contact the Communication Unit.

If you know of an employer that has a job vacancy that they would like to fill then please contact the Employment & Education Unit at Crossroads on (09)3764267.