

# If you have a disability and you want to work, contact us.

**Our goal is to help you get a job.**

To help Kansas citizens with disabilities meet their employment goals, Rehabilitation Services offers a variety of vocational rehabilitation (VR) services.

VR services are customized according to each person's unique needs, skills, interests, and abilities. Services which may be provided to help you become employed include:

- Vocational assessment to help you identify your skills, abilities, interests and job goals.
- Vocational counseling and guidance.
- Physical and mental restoration services, including artificial limbs, psychotherapy, and physical therapy.
- Training and education to learn new vocational skills.
- Rehabilitation technology, telecommunication aids and other adaptive devices.
- Job placement services.
- Services to help students with disabilities get a job after finishing high school.
- Supported employment.
- Referral to other services.

## Who can receive VR services?

We work with people with all types of physical or mental disabilities. To receive VR services, you must meet all three parts of the following eligibility requirements:

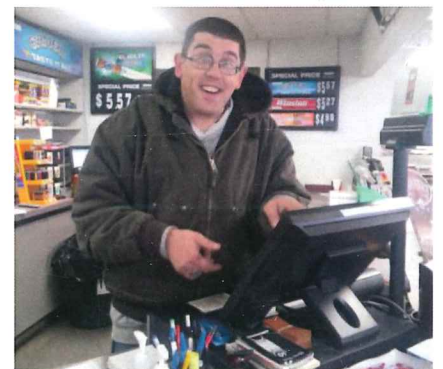
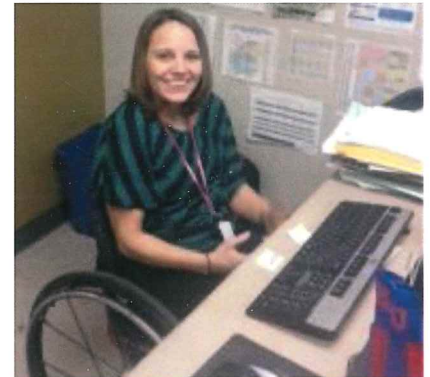
1. You must have a physical or mental impairment or disability; and
2. Your disability must result in a substantial impediment to employment; and
3. You must require VR services to prepare for, secure, retain or regain employment.

Please Note: Individuals who receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Income (SSDI) are presumed to be eligible to receive VR services.

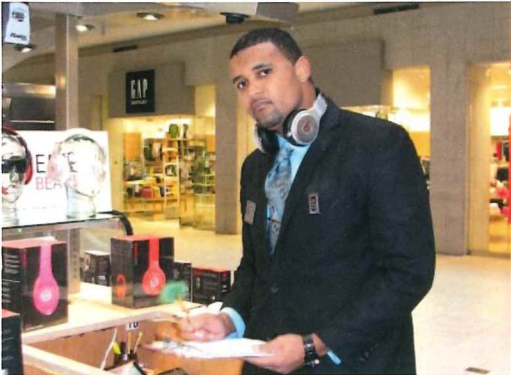
## Professional counselors can help you get a job.

VR counselors are professional staff with the expertise to help people with disabilities achieve employment. VR counselors understand your potential, as well as the barriers you face. They are well versed in the services, accommodations, and technology that can empower you to be successful on the job.

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*Kansans with disabilities are successfully employed in a wide variety of jobs, including school counselor, electrician, customer service worker, and certified medication aide.*



*Among the jobs achieved by VR consumers are over-the-road truck driver, retail business operator, social worker and food service worker. A VR counselor can help you identify a job that is good match for your skills and interests.*

If you are eligible for services, a counselor will assist you in developing a specific, comprehensive plan to help you get a job. You may also work on developing this plan on your own or with the assistance of another individual who is willing to help you. This plan will outline the type of job you plan to achieve, the services you will receive, your rights, and your responsibilities.

The counselor can help you look at options so you can make informed choices about your employment. The length of time it will take for you to receive services and achieve your employment goal will depend on your individual circumstances. Most people complete their VR programs in about two years. Throughout the rehabilitation process, you have the responsibility to participate fully in your plan and to seek employment.

### **Are there any fees?**

The assessment services needed to determine if you are eligible, vocational counseling, guidance, referral, and job placement will be provided at no cost. Our payment for most other services will depend on whether you meet financial need guidelines.

### **What's the first step?**

If employment is your priority, please call our toll-free line for referral to the office serving your community.

**Toll-Free 1-866-213-9079**



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Services are provided under the authority of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. The Vocational Rehabilitation program receives 78.7% of its funding through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education. For Federal Fiscal Year 2019, the projected amount of grant funds total \$24 million. The remaining 21.3% of the projected budget (\$6,495,553) comes from state general funds.