

## **Vocational Rehabilitation**

#### **Special points of interest:**

Culture Group All welcome Thursday Omak VR 4:30—Dinner provided and some supplies if needed—Dottie 422-7402 language lesson too

Career connected learning is a series of skill-based programs that help young people connect directly to education, credentials, and career opportunities.

https://

careerconnectwa.org/

Job skills training 10AM Tues and Thursday Omak TANF Office Mon and Wed Government building TANF 10 AM

Daryl Toulou 634-2921

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#### SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER IN THE WORKPLACE

#### What is SUD?

<u>SUD</u> is a health condition that occurs when the recurrent use of alcohol or drugs "causes clinically significant impairment," including other health conditions and failure to meet responsibilities at work, home, or school. <u>SUD</u> is a "treatable [condition] that affects a person's brain and behavior, leading to their inability to control their use of substances like legal or illegal drugs, alcohol, or medications." When SUD progresses to addiction, <u>it is defined</u> as a "chronic condition that can be treated but generally not cured, like diabetes or heart disease." Commonly known types of SUD are <u>opioid use disorder</u> and <u>alcohol use disorder</u>.

#### **Creating Recovery-Ready Workplaces**

Employers who effectively respond to substance use in the workplace and work to hire, onboard, retain, and advance people in recovery from SUD benefit from an expanded labor pool, increased worker well-being, decreased turnover, improved productivity, and reduced health care costs. Because employers are uniquely positioned to address SUD in a way that benefits the nation's economy, the <a href="National Drug Control Strategy">National Drug Control Strategy</a> was created to promote and support recovery-ready workplace (RRW) policies across the public, private, and federal sectors.

The Recovery-Ready Workplace Toolkit: Guidance and Resources for Private and Public Sector Employers is designed to help businesses and other employers prevent and respond more effectively to substance misuse among employees, build their workforces through hiring of people in recovery, and develop a recovery-supportive culture. It is also intended to serve as a resource to states, local governments, labor organizations, business groups, and non-profits considering launching multi-employer Recovery-Ready Workplace (RRW) initiatives at the local or state levels. Developed through the efforts of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, the Domestic Policy Council, and 12 federal departments and independent agencies, this toolkit supports efforts in the fourth pillar of President Biden's Unity Agenda for the Nation, beating the opioid and overdose epidemic. The toolkits link can be found at https://askearn.org/page/substance-use-disorder-in-the-workplace.

#### SUD and the Law

Workers with SUD may be protected from discrimination on the basis of <u>disability</u> under federal civil rights law. Employees <u>may be protected by</u> the <u>Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990</u> or the <u>Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Rehab Act)</u>, depending on the employer they work for:

#### ADA

<u>Title I</u> applies to private employers with 15 or more employees, state and local governments, employment agencies, and labor unions.

Title II applies to **public entities**, regardless of workforce size.

o Rehab Act

Section 501 applies to federal agencies.

Section 503 applies to federal contractors and subcontractors.

https://askearn.org/page/substance-use-disorder-in-the-workplace





PRACTICE
TRADITION,
BUILD THE
FUTURE, TRAIN
FOR
OPPORTUNITIES



#### TERO JOB DISPATCH

Mariam Barrow 509-634-2729

Call daily if your looking for a job placement

Training Requests
Roberta Bearcub
509-634-2719

Flagging training on-line available

Did you know...
If you haven't updated your
TERO Application in the past
6-months, you may lose eligibility to be dispatched to a
project. Please ensure that we
have a current application on
file so that we can contact you
with job and/or training opportunities.

TERO Applications and training registrations can be found at Omak TERO / Voc Rehab office 1100 8th Ave or 2nd



## **TERO**

floor Government Building TERO office Nespelem. Questions call Thane Swan at 509-634-2716

Contractors please update Title 10 when there are any changes Amanda Pakootas

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS:

RFB | San Poil Forest Development, 1 Mechanical Slash Pile for Keller Ridge and 30 Mile and McAllister Creek area | Closing Date Nov 3, 2024

RFQ | Elder Snow plow services | Closing Date Oct 7, 2024 PDF | Amendment #1: Mandatory Pre-Conference Meeting Rescheduled

RFP | McGinnis flats Mastication Pre-Commercial Thinning | Closing Date Oct 3, 2024

## LEARNING A TRADE ON THE JOB





## COWORKER INTERACTION WITH SERVICE ANIMALS IN THE WORKPLACE

One strategy for employers could be to send a company-wide e-mail or memorandum stating that employees may run across an animal(s) in the workplace. The employer's communication to staff could explain that animals are in the building for a specific purpose and they are not to be interacted with for any reason. Interaction with the service animal includes, but is not limited to: talking, whistling, cooing, barking, petting or asking to pet, praising the animal when it completes its task, tapping your leg or clapping your hands, or giving the animal food or treats. The general rule for coworkers is: when in doubt, if you are distracting or think you can distract the animal – STOP. Coworkers should also refrain from asking questions or making comments such as:

- "Are you sick?"
- "Good boy or good girl!"
- "Why do you get to have your dog at work?"
- "What kind of dog is that?"
- "I am a great animal person, let me pet the dog"
- "I know you are not supposed to pet, but we're friends!"
- "Can you show me what tricks it does

https://askjan.org/publications/consultants-corner/ Service-Animal-Etiquette.cfm

# JAN AskJAN.org Job Accommodation Network

JAN is the leading source of free, expert, and confidential guidance on workplace accommodations.

Need assistance exploring accommodation solutions?

Ask JAN. We can help!



800-526-7234 JAN@AskJAN.org

















#### **SUCCESSFUL**

Pictures of Nespelem JOB FAIR September 2024 Thank you

photographers Nannette Vaughn and Conita Desautel-Sampson

Four hours of fun and we had more than fifty visitors seeking information and employment.

Thank you to all that participated and shared Thank You Pepsi for donating all the wonderful beverages.













**National Disability Employment Awareness Month** This national campaign honors the contributions of people living with disabilities to the economy and workplace. It also raises awareness about disability employment problems and advocates for accommodations in the workplace for those living with a disability.

## VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION



JUNE 2024 TRIBAL VOC REHAB CANAR CONFERENCE FLAG PRESENTATION Dottie assisted by Spokane Tribal sisters

#### Our Mission:

The Colville Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Program provide culturally appropriate Vocational rehabilitation services to federally recognized tribal members with disabilities. Individuals who have a functional limitation and need assistance obtaining, maintaining, or regaining employment. Services are custom designed to fit each individuals needs. M-TH 7-530

- 21 Colville Street **NESPELEM 634-2733**
- 1100 8th Avenue OMAK 422-7578



#### Who is Eligible:

If you want to go to work and your answer is yes to the following statements, you may be eligible:

- Do you reside on or near the boundaries of the Colville Indian reservation?
- Are you an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe?
- Do you have a physical or mental impairment that results in a substantial impediment to employment?
- Are you willing to work on a plan that will help you find suitable employment?

## THE ECONOMIC ALLIANCE <u>SMALL BUSINESS</u> TRAININGS SAVE THE DATE!

#### October Events:

#### **HUBZone Certifications & Creating Capability Statements**

October 2nd, 2024 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

https://form.jotform.com/rholderdiefenbach/washington-apex-training

#### **Quick Byte: Financial Statements**

October 17th, 2024 10:00 AM

Tune in to our Facebook or YouTube pages to watch this short video and brief overview of balance sheets, income statements and cash flow statements <a href="https://www.facebook.com/OKEconomicAlliance/">https://www.facebook.com/OKEconomicAlliance/</a>

#### **Small Business Requirements and Resources Workshop**

October 16th, 2024 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Family Health Centers, 1003 Koala Dr, Omak, WA 98841

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/okanogan-small-business-requirements-and-resources-workshop-tickets-1008020044087?aff=oddtdtcreator

The Economic Alliance has a SBDC Certified Business Advisor on staff to meet with you!

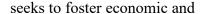
To schedule an appointment, give us a call at: (509) 826 5107



### **Our Mission**

think by falling for you.

Yeak, you and every other leaf on the tree.



What's a tree's favorite song in autumn?

The Northwest Native Development Fund

financial independence for Native people by assisting in the development of personal assets through financial and entrepreneurial education as well as providing access to capital through creative lending products. NNDF will promote this mission by increasing home ownership and economic opportunities.

#### What We Do

- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT THE NNDF HAS WORKED WITH MULTIPLE PARTNERS TO HELP CREATE A MORE ECONOMICALLY VIBRANT COMMUNITY.
  - **PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT** Northwest Native Development Fund offers a variety of financial and business educational courses.
- LOAN ASSISTANCE The NNDF seeks to foster economic and financial independence for Native People.
- **NEWS** Get up to date on the latest news and happening with the Northwest Native Development Fund.



509-633-9940

## **October**

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DECISION
COLORS
PROGRESS
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CALMNESS
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MINDFUL
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WALKING
AUTUMN

Play this puzzle online at : https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/7563813/







### HIGHER EDUCATION

#### CCT FINANCIAL AID

#### **DEADLINE DATES**

<u>1st term: Fall - August 1st</u> <u>2nd term: Winter/Spring- December 1st</u>

> 3rd term: Spring-February 1st 4th term: Summer-May 1st

https://www.cct-ene.com/scholarships-grant

PO Box 150 Nespelem, WA Lucy F. Covington Government Center

Southwest Wing- 3rd Floor

(509) 634-2779 | Fax (509) 634-2790 | Toll Free 1-888-881-7684

Monday - Thursday 7:00am - 5:30pm

#### LIBRARY



October	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
2024	NESPELEM LIBRARY CLOSED	1 NESPELEM LIBRARY CLOSED	NESPELEM LIBRARY	3 NESPELEM LIBRARY CLOSED
Nespelem Library Closed to the Public @ 3pm on TUESDAYS	7 Nespelem OPEN	8 Nespelem 7-3  Blocks & Beyond 3:30-5:30pm	9 Nespelem OPEN	Open @ 11 Paint w Big Momma 6pm
	14 Nespelem OPEN	15 Nespelem 7-3 + Blocks & Beyond 3:30-5:30pm	16 Nespelem OPEN	17 Nespelem OPEN
lespelem Hours of Operation: DAILY 7AM-5:30PM	21 Nespelem OPEN	Nespelem 7-3  Blocks & Beyond 3:30-5:30pm	Nespelem OPEN	24 Nespelem OPEN
(509)634-2791	28 Nespelem OPEN	29 Nespelem 7-3 + Blocks & Beyond 3:30-5:30pm	Nespelem Open Book Club 11:30-1	31 Open 7-11

#### Native & Strong Lifeline

Mental health issues can make you feel alone. You are not alone.

The Native & Strong Lifeline provides all Indigenous people in Washington state with listening ears and caring support. Services are free, confidential, and provided by Native counselors trained to listen and provide support and resources.



Call 988 and press 4.

https://nativelifeline.org/

https://nativehub.org/ Native Centralized information Service

## October is a month of awareness for mental health, with several observances including:

- ♦ Mental Illness Awareness

  Week: The first week of October is Mental Illness Awareness

  Week (MIAW), a national campaign led by the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

  to raise awareness of mental illness.
  - National Depression Screening Day: October 5 is National Depression Screening Day.
- ♦ World Mental Health

  Day: October 10 is World Mental Health Day, a day to raise awareness of mental health issues and encourage efforts to support those experiencing them

#### SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY APPLICATION PROCESS

Whether you apply online, by phone, or in person, the disability benefits application process follows these general steps:

You gather the information and documents you need to apply. We recommend you print and review the <u>Adult Disability Checklist</u>. (AVAILABLE ONLINE) It will help you gather the information and documents you need to complete the application.

You complete and submit your application.

We review your application to make sure you meet our basic requirements for disability benefits.

- We confirm you worked enough years to qualify.
- We evaluate any current work activities.
- We process your application and forward your case to the Disability Determination Services office in your state.
- This state agency makes the disability determination decision.

To learn more about who decides if you have a disability, read our publication <u>Disability Benefits</u>.(AVAILABLE ONLINE)

#### Once You've Applied

Processing time for disability applications vary depending on the nature of the disability, necessary medical evidence or examinations, and applicable quality reviews.

Once we receive your application, we'll review it and contact you if we have questions. We might request additional documents from you before we can proceed.

#### Look For Our Response

When the state agency makes a determination on your case, you'll receive a letter in the mail with our decision. It generally takes three to six months for an initial decision. If you included information about other family members when you applied, we'll let you know if they may be able to receive benefits on your record.

#### Check The Status

You can check the status of your application online using your personal *my Social Security account. If you are unable to check your status online, you can call us 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.* 

ONLINE LINK: https://www-origin.ssa.gov/benefits/disability/

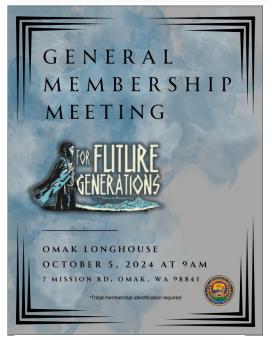
Call 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to apply by phone.

You may be able to work on SSDI talk to your benefits counselor or TVR Counselor for more information













Al-Anon and Alateen are mutual support groups for people affected by someone else's drinking.





#### MUTUAL HELP GROUPS

- AA/NA/GA/SLA estimated
   1.3 million AA members in U.S.
- Recovery Training (SMART)
   holds more than 3,000
  meetings per week
- LifeRing Secular Recovery -140 in-person meetings + online meetings and other virtual support
- Wellbriety online and inperson meetings
- InTheRooms.com 130 weekly online meetings





Nespelem Community
Drug Taskforce
Meetings

October 2, 2024 4:30-5:30 pm

Lucy F. Covington
Government

2-4 Conference Room "Everyone Welcome"





