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Serving adults and children with developmental disabilities in the Chicagoland area for 60 years.

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT & VOCATIONAL TRAINING

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Seguin was founded on the philosophy of Dr. Edouard Seguin who believed people with developmental disabilities should be given every chance to contribute to their communities. Seguin Services’ Community Employment Alternatives Program, Vocational Training Program, and SEGUINWORKS offer adults with developmental disabilities and other special needs the chance to become productive, valued members of their communities.

Adults with severe disabilities participating in the Vocational Training program learn and improve skills necessary to work at jobs in their communities or volunteer, side-by-side with their non-disabled peers. The Community Employment Alternatives program matches the employers’ needs to the work skills of adults with disabilities. Following placement in a job in the community, workers are supported by staff until they become confident and successful in their job duties and are able to work independently.

Innovative, leading-edge programs distinguish Seguin from its peers, SEGUINWORKS, an entrepreneurial venture, creates jobs for adults with disabilities that are considered hard to employ. The income from these businesses is reinvested into other Seguin services, thus making donor dollars go further. Just as importantly, the SEGUINWORKS businesses deliver value-added services to communities.

Seguin is the pacesetter for development of programs or initiatives that enrich the lives of its participants by helping them identify opportunities that allow them to live, work, and socialize as their neighbors do. Community employment is an essential component to promoting positive life outcomes for adults with disabilities.

The Vocational Training program teaches adults with developmental disabilities life skills to prepare them for employment in their communities. Participants are educated in communication skills, social skills, use of public transportation, money management, and basic preparedness tools such as reading and arithmetic, as well as specific employer-defined job skills.

The Community Employment Alternatives program matches the job skills of the program’s adults with disabilities, who are ready, able, and willing to be employed, with the requirements and demands of a variety of jobs in the community. Workers receive on-the-job support at regular jobs in restaurants, stores, offices, and factories in their own neighborhoods.

Seguin participants whose skills are still developing exercise them in volunteer settings in the community performing tasks such as tending to plants at a local conservatory or stocking shelves at a community food bank. Employment at a SEGUINWORKS work initiative provides participants the opportunity to hone the work skills they have learned, preparing them for future employment. Seguin views its participants as vital members of a vibrant community and strives to find opportunities that will enrich their lives as they give back to their communities.

Seguin stands out as a leader in services for people with developmental disabilities by empowering them to lead full, enriched lives.

Community inclusion through meaningful employment gives adults with disabilities the opportunity to be more self-reliant and self-sufficient. Seguin continually evolves and improves to create employment outcomes of value and relevance to participants and their communities.

Each member of Seguin’s family is viewed and valued as a unique individual who has much to offer. Simply by earning a paycheck, workers are able to live more independently. They become taxpayers that support their communities, becoming a part of the workforce like their peers, they are able to live, work, and socialize as their neighbors do.

The independence and dignity that come with the ability to be a contributing member of the community empowers Seguin participants to strive for the quality of life they desire and deserve.