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WRITING SUCCESS STORIES

Together, we can create win-win situations like these:

MEET HUNTER

Hunter has a lot of energy, and his job at the Y allows him to use that energy. He cleans workout machines and equipment, and assists in teaching a workout class.

Seeing him today, you might not realize it, but Hunter has cerebral palsy. Before he went to work for the YMCA, he struggled with walking. He often had to use a walker or crutches to get around. His free membership to the YMCA has allowed him to strengthen his body and increase his mobility. And, most importantly, Hunter always has a big smile on his face.





MEET MARTINA

Martina loves to work with apparel, but she struggles in job interview situations. To accommodate the challenges Martina experiences with autism, the management team at Walmart used a style of interviewing that worked for her and them. She joined the team and has been a valuable employee ever since.

After Martina excelled in her first position, she moved into the apparel areas. She enjoys assisting the department managers with projects and helping customers find the items they need.

MEET TERRY

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Terry has been an auto technician and an instructor for future auto mechanics, before a horrible accident on I-69 left him critically injured. He thought he might never walk again, let alone be able to work.

After a courageous recovery, Terry joined the staff at Ridge NAPA in 2018, assisting customers at the auto parts counter. Terry now works at Ridge NAPA's Lima Road store in Fort Wayne, and does an outstanding job.







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OPENING PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT

We are removing barriers for people with disabilities by:



ASSISTING BUSINESSES We help companies with disabilities awareness, worker retention, and more.



SERVING JOB SEEKERS We help candidates sharpen their resumes, interview skills, and more.



MAKING CONNECTIONS We introduce qualified applicants to ready-to-hire companies.

FORMING RELATIONSHIPS

We connect companies with local organizations such as:































