



St. Patrick Center
Building Permanent, Positive, Change.

OUR mission

St. Patrick Center provides opportunities for self-sufficiency and dignity to persons who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Individuals achieve permanent, positive changes in their lives through affordable housing, sound mental health, employment and financial stability.

GENERAL EMPLOYMENT (GE) A St. Patrick Center Employment & Training Program

St. Patrick Center Employment Services currently offers job search assistance to individuals who are looking for professional support in finding a job. The General Employment Program provides job seekers with assistance in locating job leads and other resources to assist in their employment search. Below is a summary of what program participants can expect:

- A three-day job readiness class and screening assessment that include career exploration, soft skills training, and interview preparation, as well as assistance with building an effective job application and developing a marketable resume.
- Job search assistance from an Employment Specialist who provides job leads and other employment, training and networking information to assist job seekers from a variety of skilled and unskilled backgrounds.
- Access to advanced training opportunities within St. Patrick Center that includes the Job Experience Training Program, McMurphy's Grill (restaurant service) and more.
- Referral to the Suited for Success Closet where job seekers can access gently used clothing needed for an interview or new employment.
- Direct referral to other SPC programs and partners as needed.

Clients qualify for General Employment services if they are committed to seeking full time or part time, permanent employment and have at least 30 days of sobriety. They can apply in person to St. Patrick Center's Client Intake area to receive a screening or assessment. An intake worker will provide a referral and class pass for the next job readiness class. Clients who successfully complete the three-day job readiness class can sign up for an initial job search session with an assigned Employment Specialist who will work with them until they find a job.

In Fiscal Year 2011, St. Patrick Center's General Employment program assisted 748 individuals with job training, employment readiness, transportation and work uniforms.

Other St. Patrick Center Employment & Training Programs: The BEGIN New Venture Center; The BEGIN Training & Education Center; Building Employment Skills for Tomorrow (BEST); Homeless Employment Program (HEP); Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program (HVRP); Job Experience Training (JET); McMurphy's Grill; Project HERO; Veterans GO! Green.

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