Project Independence

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COMPANY DESCRIPTION

Project Independence offers internship and employment opportunities working with adults with Intellectual Disabilities

Our Mission

Project Independence's mission is to promote civil rights for people with developmental disabilities through services which expand independence and choice.

We Believe:

- People with disabilities have a right to fully participate in the community and that participation both enlightens and strengthens the community.
- It is important to listen to the hopes and dreams of the people we serve, focusing on the individual, and presenting those services in a dignified and respectful manner.
- That by listening to the hopes and dreams of people we serve, we can help them realize those dreams and lead fulfilling lives.
- Having a job, friends, and home of your own are all intrinsic to a healthy, happy life.

Who We Help

At Project Independence we have worked for over 40 years to serve hundreds of people
throughout Orange County build lives of true independence even when challenged with
developmental disabilities. With the help of our wonderful community partners and employers we
work from an "Inclusive Model." Through Supported Employment, Independent Living, and our
Daytime Programs, our community grows stronger by including all who hope for a happy and
independent life. A life of achievement, accomplishment and inclusion.

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

We have several different opportunities for internships at Project Independence. And all the jobs are teaching someone with a disability how to live and work in the community just like everyone else does – so it is teaching what we all already do every day.

Our Supported Employment Program is looking for Job Coaches to provide job skills training to our clients at the places they have been hired to work. Communicating with supervisors and co-workers to ensure that the clients is successful at their job.

Our Independent Living Program is looking for Community Support Specialists (CSS) and Personal Care Attendants (PCA). A CSS teaches daily living skills such as cooking, cleaning, shopping, medical appointment and all those other things you need to do daily when you live in your own apartment. A PCA provide support to a client who has had medical or aging issues that makes it difficult to manage the daily things that need to get done.

QUALIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

Current valid CA Drivers' License Current Car insurance Reliable vehicle CPR/First Aid training

TIME COMMITMENT

These are the requested periods of time by the employer

• 1-term (50-100 hours/10 weeks)

HOW TO APPLY & DEADLINE

Contact Kristen Cook at 714-549-3464 ext. 227 or by email at kcook@proindependence.org. Applications are accepted year round.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For More information please contact Kristen Cook at kcook@proindependence.org or 714-549-3464 ext. 227. You can also visit their website at www.proindependence.org.