

Autism and Supporting People with Aging Needs

Life Skills



Employment

Independence

For over 30 years, E&CO has been helping adults with developmental disabilities find work and gain independence. We do this by matching them with employers who value dependable, reliable workers.

We assist individuals with developmental disabilities including, but not limited to: autism, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, dual diagnoses, hearing impairments, learning disabilities, Intellectual disabilities and severe behavioral disorders.

E&CO provides services throughout the State of California in San Diego, San Bernardino, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz and Riverside Counties and also in Austin, Texas.

Autism

Autism spectrum disorders (ASDs) are a group of developmental disabilities characterized by impairments in social interaction and communication as well as restricted, repetitive, and stereotyped patterns of behavior. According to the Centers for Disease Control, by 2008 the prevalence of children diagnosed with an ASD was 1 in 88, an increase of 78% since 2002, and prevalence continues to climb.

To prepare for the influx of individuals with Autism who will be seeking services from adult agencies within the next three to five years, E&CO offers an individualized program to assess and accommodate such individuals so they can integrate more fully into the community or at a jobsite.

Behavioral support and staff training focused on Autism is included in all our programs: Integrated Employment, Supported Employment, Independent Living Services and Microenterprise Businesses.

Supporting People with Aging Needs

This new day program is being developed to address an aging population of individuals with intellectual disabilities. Funded by the Regional Center, this program will provide educational, social, and recreational activities for adults with intellectual disabilities who also have physical limitations related to aging.

The goal of this program is to provide a balance between community based and site based activities to keep individuals with aging needs as active and engaged as possible.



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