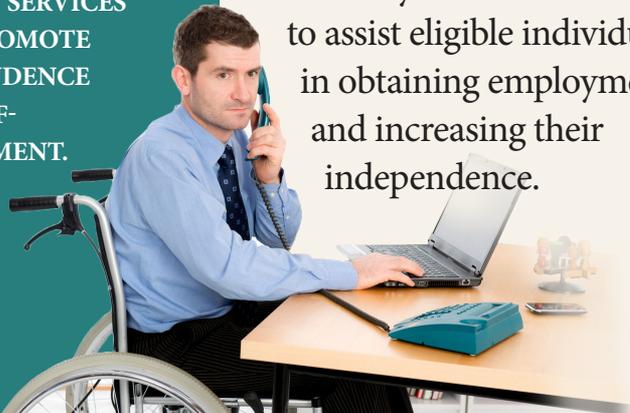


HOW WE ACCOMPLISH THIS:

WE EMPOWER CLIENTS BY PROVIDING HIGH QUALITY SERVICES THAT PROMOTE INDEPENDENCE AND SELF-FULFILLMENT.



The Utah State Office of Rehabilitation has served Utahns with disabilities for over 90 years. Our mission is to assist eligible individuals in obtaining employment and increasing their independence.



We help individuals with disabilities obtain meaningful employment, integrate into the community, improve accessibility in their activities of daily living and determine eligibility for federal disability benefits.



Our professional vocational rehabilitation counseling staff have developed strong partnerships with other agencies and programs to offer a variety of opportunities for clients.



By addressing each client's unique needs and vocational goals, we've effectively connected thousands of rehabilitated individuals with employers looking for qualified job applicants.

DID YOU KNOW...

- More than 50,000 Utahns with disabilities use our services each year.
- Utah ranks in the top ten nationally for employing working-age individuals with disabilities.
- Vocational Rehabilitation is one of the best-performing programs in the region, outperforming neighboring states on seven out of 10 performance measures.
- Disability Determination Services' claim accuracy ranks top ten in the nation, at more than 97 percent.

We serve **50,000+** people with disabilities



ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS:

- ASPIRE (Achieving Success by Promoting Readiness for Education and Employment)
- Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities
- Utah Work Incentives and Benefits Planning Services (UWIPS)
- Business Relations
- Choose to Work

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

- Supports individuals with disabilities in achieving meaningful employment and independence.
- Provides professional vocational counseling and guidance to facilitate client acceptance of disability and the development of self-advocacy skills.
- Partners with employers, local school districts, higher education and other agencies to provide comprehensive employment opportunities.
- Creates assistive technology devices through Utah Center for Assistive Technology (UCAT)

SERVICES FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

- Increases independence, community integration and productivity for the blind or visually impaired.
- Teaches skills such as reading Braille, navigating on a computer and using adaptive equipment.
- Provides adjustment-to-blindness services, low-vision screening, magnification and other assistive aids.
- Offers unique opportunities where individuals learn how to operate their own food service business and vending routes in government facilities.

SERVICES TO THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING

- Increases independence, community integration and productivity for the deaf and hard of hearing.
- Provides social, recreational and educational services at the Sanderson Community Center in Taylorsville and the Southern Utah Program in St. George.
- Offers assistive technology demo labs for individuals to test sound amplification devices.
- Manages an American Sign Language interpreter referral service, and administers certification.

DISABILITY DETERMINATION SERVICES

- Makes accurate and timely decisions on whether applicants meet the requirements for Social Security Benefits.

INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAM

- Assists individuals with maintaining or increasing their independence and community integration.
- Partners with the Utah Statewide Independent Living Council and nonprofit Centers for Independent Living to provide services.