



New Dimensions Inc.

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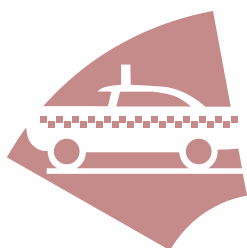
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Employment Awareness

New Dimensions is proud to recognize October as National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM). There are many reasons to celebrate. As a national campaign, NDEAM brings awareness about equal employment opportunities and the many accomplishments of workers with barriers. According to the United States Department of Labor and the Office of Disability Employment Policy, the theme for 2013 is "Because We Are EQUAL To The Task." By recognizing NDEAM, we can improve equal employment opportunities. Much of the United States is affected by this social movement, as 12.1% of our population lives with a disability. Therefore, by educating ourselves about NDEAM and the importance of acknowledging the facts, we are able to improve the lives of many.

For more facts and information, please visit:

www.dol.gov/odep/topics/ideam



Changes in Cab Fare

As of November 1st, in addition to always taking the taxi will cost remembering to schedule \$2.00 instead of \$1.50. taxi services at least 24 Please note this change, hours in advance.

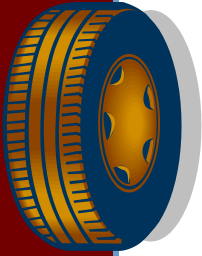
Employee of the month: Louis K.



Louis K. wrapping silver wear at New D

New Dimensions would like to congratulate Louis K. for earning Employee of the Month for October of 2013. Louis deserves this title for many reasons. He has become much more comfortable in social situations in the workplace. Louis's communication with co-workers and supervisors is clear and concise. Louis enjoys going to Bethel, Soup Kitchen, Bangor Central, and St. James to assist where help is needed. In his spare time, Louis enjoys completing puzzles and watching movies. Great work, Louis!

NEW TIRES FROM S C JOHNSON GRANT



New Dimensions received \$1500 from SC Johnson this month to help us pay for tires for the vehicles we use to transport individuals into the community. We are continuously transporting people throughout Bay County and are proud to say that we have placed over 78% of our Vocational Skill Building program participants in some type of community activity, logging over 1,000 hours of

volunteer work at local non-profits each month. This effort has been extremely beneficial to everyone involved. It has increased the job-readiness skills, independence and self-esteem of the individuals in the program and has provided valuable volunteer services to places like The Salvation Army Community Kitchen, the Women's Center, St. James School, Dow Bay Area Family Y,

Bethel Lutheran Church and Messiah Lutheran Church.

In addition, our Community Employment department has referred over 64 individuals for some type of job placement activity. Many of these individuals were first transported to interviews or on-the-job evaluations before being considered for hire. We are constantly on the move and appreciate the support from SC Johnson to continue our efforts!

Buffalo Wild Wings Fundraiser



New Dimensions is raising funds with Buffalo Wild Wings on Monday, November 18. By presenting the New Dimensions Inc.

Fundraiser coupon, 20% of your purchase at Buffalo Wild Wings will go to support New Dimensions. This offer is good at the Bay City

location only. Visit our Facebook page, "New Dimensions Inc," to retrieve the coupon. Please stop out for a snack or meal for a good cause!

Program Manager's Corner

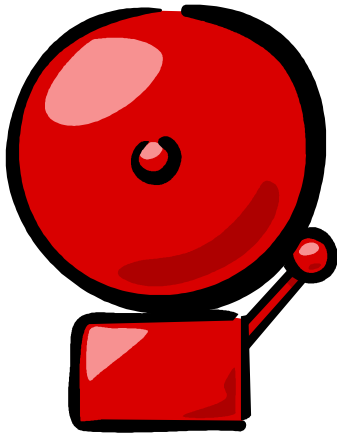
8-WEEK WORK EXPERIENCES AVAILABLE NOW By Becky

We have started a community. Dining Room Attendants get 8 weeks of paid on-the-job work experience as a Dining Room Attendant. To qualify, you must be in our Skill Building program and interested in working in the


Dining Room Attendants remove dishes from tables, wash tables, sweep the floor, arrange chairs and wash windows. You will work 2 to 3 hours a day, several days a week for up to 8


weeks. The job pays minimum wage which is \$7.40 per hour. See your Case Coordinator, Lori or Eric, to get signed up for this valuable work experience!


Fire Safety Awareness



Here at New Dimensions, we would like to review our Evacuation Plan in light of Fire Safety Awareness Month. In case of a fire, you will see and hear a warning, which means everyone must evacuate the building. The following steps will outline the evacuation process.

 **Quietly exit through the nearest, safest door in an orderly manner.**

 **Meet at the end of the loading dock.**

 **Wait patiently until the building is clear to enter or for further instruction.**

Visitor Badges

New Dimensions would like to remind everyone of our new visitor badges. All visitors must sign in when they arrive. Now, case workers, parents, and community members will

all be able to wear a visitor's badge while visiting the building so that we can welcome them accordingly. Thank you and please remember to pass this information along.



Thankful for Workers

We conducted a survey at New Dimensions to find out which of the traditional Thanksgiving dishes is most-liked. Turkey was the winner! How many workers are involved to make turkey available for this special Turkey Day? Come to find out, we have many workers to thank. Domesticated turkeys are born and raised on farms.

Workers are responsible for feeding, providing shelter, and inspecting the turkeys for diseases. Healthy turkeys are processed and packaged by workers to be stored and sold in stores. Friends and family work hard to afford to purchase turkey and prepare it for Thanksgiving dinner! Thanks to all who make this possible.

Thanksgiving Favorites

Thanksgiving Dish	%
Apple Pie	17%
Pumpkin Pie	10%
Green Bean Casserole	2%
Mashed Potatoes	7%
Sweet Potatoes/ Yams	7%
Turkey	24%
Stuffing	10%
Gravy	7%
Ham	12%
Cranberry Sauce	5%

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Sundays in the City

November 10, 17, & 24
December 1, 8, & 15

- ◆ Showcases shops and eateries
- ◆ Chance to win Sleigh of Gifts and one of the Festival of Wreaths
- ◆ Holiday decorations
- ◆ Free horse-drawn carriage rides
- ◆ Strolling carolers
- ◆ Holiday movies at the State Theatre



Emergency Food Assistance

Food Vouchers
Provided
by United Way
(909 Washington Ave., Suite 2,
Bay City, MI.)
Call (989) 893-7508
Ask for Archie!

Public Resources

Food Drive

November 21st, 2013
(Salvation Army-401 10th St., Bay
City)
December 5th, 2013
(Salvation Army-401 10th St., Bay
City)
9:30 a.m. -until food is gone!



Dental Clinic

at the Salvation Army
(401 10th Street, Bay City, MI.)
December 12th and
13th
By appointment only,
from 10:00 A.M.-3:00
P.M.
Call (989) 983-3041

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