Dept. on Disability

Be a Mentor

Dept. on Disability to host annual Disability Mentoring Day. Mentors for students and job seekers are needed.



ity employees: The Dept. on Disability requests your participation to help students and job seekers with disabilities see what City employment is all about, and help them focus their career potential.

On Oct. 15, the Dept. on Disability will host its annual Disability Mentoring Day, part of a national effort to connect mentors with students and job seekers with disabilities

The event will be held in the green space at City Hall South. Mentors for the disabled are needed; see the contact information at the bottom for more information and applications.

Annually, more than three dozen City employees typically become mentors for the disabled on Disability Mentoring Day.

The event is part of a large-scale national effort to promote career development for students and job seekers with disabilities through hands-on career exploration and on-site job shadowing, leading to internship and employment opportunities. It is celebrated every year on the third Wednesday of October as part of National Disability Employment Awareness Month.

Students and Job Seekers with Disabilities Benefit

Disability Mentoring Day enables students and job seekers to spend a day visiting an organization that matches their interests and have one-on-one time with volunteer



mentors. It provides an opportunity to underscore the connection between school and work, evaluate personal goals, target career skills for improvement, explore possible career paths, and develop lasting mentor relationships. Students' and job seekers' participation in Disability Mentoring Day can often result in opportunities with the host agencies.

Those With Disabilities Also Needed

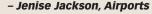
Along with mentors, students and job seekers with disabilities are also needed and welcome. See the contact information (to the right) for more information.

Testimonials

Previous City employee participants described their experience with Disability Mentoring Day:

The Disability Mentoring Day was a huge success, and I would like to attend every year! As a ■ G2 Secure Staff Employee, my supervisor (Errol Cutley) and I thoroughly enjoyed the event and meeting our wonderful mentee, Vicky Ramirez. Thanks for having us, and we look forward

to participating in future events that will help us to better assist our passengers needing wheelchairs."



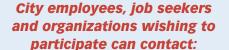
If thought I'd share with you a little about my assigned mentee, Sanjeev Mistri, who recently completed his MBA in finance from CSU Fullerton. His outlook and perspective are quite inspirational. At nine years old, he lost his vision, which clearly has not deterred him from accomplishing his goals in education, including his pursuit of a fulfilling career.

"Although the day was full of many memorable events and experiences, I will never forget what Sanjeev shared with me about the untimely loss

of his vision. He said, 'Although it was a long time ago, I was fortunate to see, and saw everything.' "He continues to look forward in life and is looking for ways to make a difference and be productive. He shared with me things about himself and his life experiences that reminded me of how beautiful life is."

- Zernan S. Abad, CAO

Disability Mentoring Day, 2011



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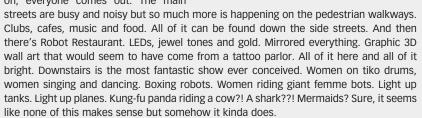




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