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FSS GOAL Program

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FSS Success Stories

- Congratulations to Ben, Jessica, Lisa, Noel, Mike, and Peter. Each landed full-time jobs!
- Lesa, Michelle and Paula have landed part-time jobs. Way to go!
- Kudos to Bonnie on her promotion with a raise!
- Tanya graduated from the NH Work Ready Program with National Job Readiness Certifications.
- Audrey has been accepted into an apprenticeship training program in commercial underwater welding!
- Tara completed the pre-requisites for her RN degree and she used her IDA savings to pay for tuition.
- Wisam opened up a family restaurant and continues his studies toward an associates degree.
- Janel increased her credit score and is now working toward homeownership.
- Twelve FSS GOAL participants graduated and earned a combined total of \$43,437 in escrow funds!

Ask a Coach

Q. I know what my skills are but I have no idea what type of job to search for. Do you have any ideas?

A. A great place to start is Career One Stop. Begin by exploring in *mySkills myFuture* at: www.careeronestop.org/ResourcesFor/CareerChanger/career-changer.aspx.

You can type in your current or past positions and a list of different jobs with skill comparisons will be generated for you to explore. Also, sign up for the **NH Works Job Match System**. They can directly match you with jobs and employers who are seeking the skillset you have.

Q. I'm not really sure what I'd like to do for work and I'd love to explore different job possibilities. Where should I begin?

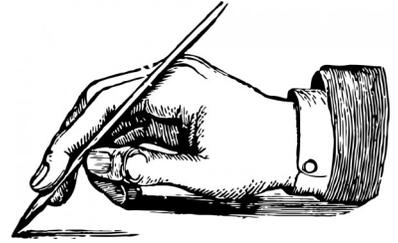
A. Completing a free online self-assessment can help you identify career paths that might be a good fit for your interests and personality. The FSS GOAL Program's *My Employment Plan*, will provide you with the resource links to several self-assessment sites. Go to www.nhhed.com and click into *My Employment Plan—Part I*. Be sure to keep the link to this website on your desktop so you can access and save your work.

“We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence then, is not an act, but a habit.”

~ Aristotle

FSS/GOAL Blogging on....

Hunting For A New Job?



Do you count yourself out of the running when your experience doesn't match the job description? Knowing employers are looking for a specific set of skills, experience and education can sometimes discourage job hunters from applying if they don't think they have what it takes. But before you decide *not* to apply, ask yourself the following questions:

- “*Why am I interested in applying for this position?*” Your interest may actually indicate that the job is a good fit for you. P.S. It's likely you'll be asked this question at an interview.
- “*Have I done anything like this in the past?*” Don't forget about hobbies, volunteer work and what you do in your spare time.
- “*Would a family member or a friend encourage me to apply for this job, seeing my potential for success?*” Ask someone if they think this would be a good position for you. Can they see you doing this kind of work?
- “*Does this job line up with my strengths and interests?*”
- “*Do I have transferable skills that meet the job requirements?*” For information and examples of transferable skills, go to: www.nhhed.com and click into “My Employment Plan.” On page 9 is a list of transferable skills to review.

Next, explore the position you're interested in. To get started, go to www.onetonline.org. At the top of the website to the right, type the name of the position into the *Occupation Quick Search* bar. Click the position of your choice. A summary report for the position will be generated. This report includes information such as: tasks, knowledge, skills, and education needed for the job. Do your interests, skills and experiences match up with the job summary?

You might find that you *do* have the necessary skills. And if you don't, now you know what skills are required to land the job. To search for education needed and/or job openings near you from this job summary page, scroll down to “Credentials” and click on *Find Training/Find Certifications*; at the very bottom of the page, click on *Find Jobs*. Great ideas can happen when you explore your interests!

Program Tools for Success

- [NHED](#) for resources and on line training.
- [Find Financial Freedom](#) to manage your finances.
- [WordPress](#) and Facebook—targeted resources to support your goals.



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