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And Don't Forget to Check your local *community action agency (CAP)* and *adult community education*. They might have programming that fits your interest and budget. They can also refer you to other community resources. For more information click here:
www.211nh.org
www.nhadulted.org

Options to Pay for the Education You Want

Did you know its possible to go back to school without paying a *small fortune*? Would you like to train for a new job or earn your associates or bachelors degree? Don't take out expensive student loans until you know all of your options. Depending on your goals, you might be eligible for assistance through one of the following programs:

WIOA—The *Workforce Investment Opportunity Act*, www.snhs.org

Offers eligible adults, who would like to work full-time:

- Education and job training grants
- Job support resources such as help with transportation and day care
- One-on-one job counseling

WorkReady NH—A Tuition Free Certificate Program, www.ccsnh.edu

Offers 60 hours of free classroom instruction in:

- Effective communication, leadership, critical thinking, and applied mathematics.
- Discovering personal strengths and self-confidence
- Creating a powerful resume
- Job searching effectively

Eligible participants can receive two nationally recognized credentials, *National Career Readiness* and the *WorkReady NH* certificates.

IDA—*Individual Development Account*, www.communityloanfund.org

Eligible participants can save towards college tuition or job training costs.

- 8 to 1 match
- Save up to \$500 of earned income.
- Receive a \$4,000 match.
- Totaling \$4,500 for education.

VR—*Vocational Rehabilitation Program*, www.education.nh.gov

Offers individuals receiving SSI or who have a disabling challenge:

- Employment assessments
- Job placement and one-on-one job counseling and job supports
- Education and job training assistance

NHEP—*New Hampshire Employment Program*, www.dhhs.nh.gov

Provides families receiving cash assistance:

- Employment services
- Job counseling
- Tuition assistance

NHCF—*New Hampshire Charitable Foundation*, www.nhcf.org

The *NHCF* offers education grants for students of all ages.

- The *Medallion Fund* provides dollars for vocational or technical training.
- The *Adult Student Aid Program* offers funding in *all* fields of study.

Call your GOAL coach today for more information!

Ask a Coach

Q. My daughter dropped out of high school. Are there any resources out there to help her finish school and get a good job?

A. *New Hampshire Job Corps*, <http://newhampshire.jobcorps.gov>, is a career and technical training center and it's tuition free for eligible 16-24 year olds. *Job Corps* provides academic education, training for in-demand jobs, and industry-recognized certifications as well as college preparation. They even provide students with a basic living allowance. And as the training increases, the allowance increases. Your daughter may also qualify for the *WIOA Youth Program*, education.nh.gov/career/wia/. Call your GOAL coach for more information.

Q. I'm a veteran—what kinds of programs are available to help me go back to school?

A. If you were, or are in the military, or if you are a spouse or dependent you may be eligible for educational benefits and tuition assistance. For more information go to: www.usa.gov/veteran-employment or call your GOAL coach.

The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you.

~ B.B. King

FSS Successes During the Past Four Months

- Congratulations to Natasha and Caron—they've been promoted from part-time to full-time at their current jobs!
- Phil and Janice landed part-time jobs. Way to go!
- Hat's off to Margo! She took a part-time "stepping stone" job while she continues to search for work in her field.
- Joe Ellyn successfully completed cosmetology training *and* earned her license - now she's working at a busy salon!
- Congratulations to Patricia! She earned her bachelors degree and started a new job this summer in her field.
- Genevive is using IDA funds to pay for courses towards her bachelor's degree. Only one more year to go!
- Kirsten opened an IDA and is hoping to purchase a home within the next year.
- Mason successfully graduated from the GOAL Program with over \$10,000 in escrow money! In addition to meeting his goal of full time employment he was also able to open an IDA to save for his son's education.
- Sean, Lara, and Brittany each qualified for a mortgage and will soon be first-time home buyers!
- Six participants graduated from GOAL with a grand total of \$22,197 in escrow funds!

The GOAL Program can assist you with:

- Career assessment and education
- Employment, job retention and advancement
- Financial management and building better credit
- Homeownership

Your GOAL Coach is here to support you and share resources that will help you achieve success in these areas!

Get the most out of GOAL by using these helpful tools:

- www.nhhed.com for resources and online training.
- www.virtualgoalcoach.net to map, track, and find the resources you need to reach your goals.
- www.findfinancialfreedom.org to manage your income and expenses.