Did you know . . .

It’s estimated that as many as 8 million Americans—approximately 3 percent of the population—have intellectual disabilities.

People with IDD are eager to find jobs and be supporting members of their communities, yet nine out of 10 adults with intellectual disabilities remain unemployed.

The Arc’s employment programs help people gain confidence, make healthy choices, and demonstrate increasing personal responsibility. Everyone, no matter their ability, can grow, thrive, and reach their highest potential in the employment setting that’s right for them.

Person-Centered Employment Supports

The Arc Eastern Connecticut provides comprehensive employment services throughout the region for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) age 16 and older. Our skilled and caring team of professionals walks with participants through their journey from high school to landing that perfect job.

About The Arc ECT

The mission of the Arc Eastern Connecticut is to partner with people living with IDD for EQUAL participation and inclusion in the communities of eastern Connecticut. Celebrating over 67 years of service, we offer a variety of residential, educational, day support, employment, community integration and self-advocacy programs to over 800 people and their families yearly.

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Employment Services at
The Arc Eastern Connecticut

Helping people find meaningful and fulfilling work in the careers of their choice.
From high school to retirement, The Arc Eastern Connecticut has a program that’s right for you!

Our specialized programs help people prepare for competitive employment with area businesses.

The School to Work Transition Program provides students age 16-21 a smooth transition to successful employment and independence when they age out of the school system. The program is specifically designed to help young adults develop job readiness skills, explore different careers, and receive job placement and life skills training.

Transitional Employment Services (TES) is a 3-year hands-on vocational training program that places people ages 21 and up with local community partners.

Both programs include internships, job-seeking skills and strategies, computer skills, financial management, civic participation, social skills, and health and fitness activities.

Our Job Development staff actively recruits new community business partners to offer our participants the widest possible choice of employment options. Outreach to area businesses provides information on the many reasons why hiring someone with IDD may be the best decision an employer will ever make.

Find Out More

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The Arc Eastern Connecticut offers a wide range of employment programming that’s tailored to address each person’s needs and goals.

- Individual and group employment placement and worksite support
- Life skills, job readiness and self-advocacy trainings
- Career-specific programs in culinary arts, retail, landscaping, agriculture/aquaponics, hospitality/cleaning
- Six micro-enterprises offering real-world experience leading to competitive employment with area businesses

Both our Danielson and Groton locations also offer a Day Services Option; participants can take advantage of volunteer activities, group outings, life skills classes, and a variety of pre-vocational activities that are enjoyable and educational.