

Benefits of Job Foundation

A job coach works collaboratively with the student, the student's family, teachers, and support team to identify and summarize the student's unique capabilities, strengths, and support needs in a comprehensive Job Foundation report.

The report:

- ✓ Creates a personalized action plan for achieving employment.
- ✓ Provides educational and long-term goals.
- ✓ Helps create improved job outcomes for people with higher support needs.



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THURSTON/MASON COUNTY JOB FOUNDATION

*Living as valued, contributing,
and integrated members of our
community.*



What is Job Foundation?



Job Foundation is a partnership between Thurston/Mason County Developmental Disabilities, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR), Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA), Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), schools in Thurston/Mason County, and employment support providers.

It is a team approach with the goal of helping high school transition students leave school with a job at 21 by providing more employment supports at an earlier age.

Who is Eligible?

EVERYONE who is eligible for Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) services, and:

- 19-20 years of age and in the second year of high school transition or life skills
- Enrolled in high school within Thurston/Mason County
- Committed to finding a job before exiting school
- Willing to apply for:
 - Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) services
 - Supplemental Security Income (SSI) / Medicaid
 - Washington State ID

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Steps to Enroll

1. Verify you are eligible.
2. Complete a *Job Foundation* application and *Consent to Share Information* form.
3. Select an employment support provider.
4. Apply for DVR services.

