Employment and Beyond

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Thanks for inviting me

I am so excited to talk to you today about my story and Supported Employment
My Story

- Even though I am only 22, I have done a lot of things
- The best thing so far is my job at Universal Cells.
- Here is a video that goes over a few things, then I will explain some of the information.
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In Washington State people with DD/ID can go to public school through age 21.

Ages 18-21 are “Transition” years working on job skills building resumes.

In King County (Seattle) the final year of transition is called School to Work.
My Path So Far

- I Attended the Seattle Public Schools
- 9-12th grade at Nathan Hale High School
- Then I had 3 years of Transition
- 2yrs at the Highline College Achieve Program
- 1yr, my School to Work year, at Project Search - Seattle Childrens Hospital
At Project Search

- I interned in a lot of different places: the cafeteria, the neurology clinic and supplies

- I learned lots of skills and about what I liked and wanted to do more of. I like: organizing things and Science!

- I became a greeter for the UW Rotary on Fridays
Universal Cells

- My Rotary Greeter position was created by Partners for Work, an organization working with Rotaries about Supported Employment.
- Partners for Work also worked with Universal Cells to develop my current position.
Here is a short video from when I started working last year.
My days at UC

- Label
- Stock
- Organize
- Deliver packages
- Clean the Break rooms
- Break down boxes
- Additional Tasks as needed for my co-workers
- I love my job :-(
Jobs create Purpose and Passion, we all needed it

- Now, I pay taxes and rent and I vote
- Everyone wants to be included in Life
- My job at UC makes a difference for them and for me
One more thing from UC’s