



Whom should I contact if I am interested in participating as an intern or a community business?

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Participating Community Businesses:

- Springhill Suites
- Del Taco
- Anthony's A Taste of the Southwest
- Rhino Health
- Xtreme Cuts
- Quality Inn



OUR GALLUP SITE HAS ACHIEVED A 100% EMPLOYMENT OUTCOME FOR CONSECUTIVE YEARS FOR INTERNS WHO COMPLETED THE PROGRAM!



**Project SEARCH
 GALLUP, NM**



What is Project SEARCH?

Project SEARCH is a one-year school-to-work internship for graduated adults with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities who are between the ages of 18-22. The Program prepares them for integrated, competitively paid work.

Interns complete three 10-week internships where they gain hard and soft employability skills that prepare them for competitive jobs in their community. During their third rotation, interns work into preferred jobs, with additional skills training at participating community businesses.

Project SEARCH's primary objective is to secure competitive employment for young adults with disabilities.

Project SEARCH New Mexico

The entire program takes place at a local host business site-Hilton Garden Inn/Quality Inn and is a full collaboration between a local school district-Gallup McKinley County School. New Mexico Department of Vocational Rehabilitation-(NMDVR), New Mexico Department of Health/Developmental Disabilities Supports Division-(DDSD), a local long term provider agency-(unavailable at this time), UNM Center for Development & Disability - (UNM CDD) and Navajo Nation Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services, (NN-OSERS)

Goals of Project SEARCH

- Learning real-world job skills and responsibility in a real-world setting.
- Creating community connections through Volunteer activities.
- Practicing tools for independent living.
- Matching one's strengths, interests and abilities with a preferred job.
- Obtaining a preferred job at or above minimum wage, at or above 16 hours per week



A typical day in Project SEARCH:

Monday-Friday- 8:00am-3:00pm

Follow the GMCS calendar

8:00am-8:30am Check-in/Breakfast

8:30am-11:30am Internship

11:30am-12:00pm Lunch

12:00pm-1:00pm Instructional Time

1:00pm - 3:00pm Internship

Rotations Include:

Laundry, Housekeeping, Houseman, Front Desk, Snack/Coffee Bar, Kitchen Prep., Inspections, Dishwasher, Server, Busser, Maintenance, Ground keeping.