



REACH, Inc. Monthly Newsletter
October 2023

From the Desk of Dan:

Greetings from REACH, Inc.!

I am very excited that October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month (which you'll see more on later in the newsletter)! My long tenure with REACH began in the Supported Employment department, so this month is especially near-and-dear to my heart. I am so happy our mission includes helping individuals find careers that fit their needs and lifestyles. Our job coaches go above and beyond to help individuals build lifelong skills in the workforce.

Best,

Dan Elstad
Executive Director



Halloween at REACH:

REACH will be participating in the annual Downtown Trick or Treat event from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Halloween! Stop by the former Canvas (soon to be The Plant Studio) doors on Seward St. to grab some candy from the REACH administration team. We can't wait to see all of this year's great costumes!



Dan's Spooky Office Door

Staff Updates:

After 33 dedicated years of service, Reid Tippetts is retiring. We thank Reid for his commitment to REACH's mission and for providing quality care to countless individuals over the years. Happy retirement, Reid! You will be missed!





Employee Anniversaries:

We're so proud of the people who work at REACH, and their hard work does not go unnoticed! Please join us in celebrating the following employee anniversaries for the month of October:

Hayden Bryson – 1 year
 Melissa Garner – 1 year
 Jeana Varney – 1 year
 Josh Anderson – 3 years
 Morris Carrillo – 3 years
 Felizardo Finones – 3 years
 Barbara Luhr – 3 years

Earl Allen – 4 years
 Josh Clark – 4 years
 Anna Mattox – 5 years
 Katelyn King – 6 years
 Niamh Dardis – 12 years
 Merry Bunton – 14 years
 Jay Prutsman – 21 years



National Disability Employment Awareness Month:

October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month! Did you know our Supported Employment program connects individuals with career paths that suit their abilities, talents, and interests? We set people up for success. Our job coaches work with employers and provide on-the-job support and training to individuals.

REACH Employment Services want to thank amazing businesses in Juneau for supporting diversification in their company by hiring people with disabilities. These Juneau businesses recognize the importance of hiring people of all skills and abilities into their workforce:

Alaska State Museum
Bartlett Regional Hospital
Club Demo Services
Coppa
Costco
Cruise Line Agencies of Alaska
Fred Meyer
JoAnn Fabrics
Juneau Self Storage
Juneau Senior Center
Mendenhall Glacier Visitor Center

Nugget Alaskan Outfitter
Office Max
Rainbow Foods
Sacred Grounds
Safeway
SAIL
State of Alaska
Subway
Tlingit and Haida Head Start
The Hangar
World Wide Movers

