ANDREW

ANDREW ENJOYS WORKING FOR WALMART. HE SAYS MEETING NEW PEOPLE AND SEEING FAMILIAR FACES ARE THE BEST PARTS OF HIS ROLE AS CART ASSOCIATE.

ANDREW'S STORY

Andrew has been happily working at Walmart in Chardon since January 2017. His job coach at his vocational school helped him apply for the job online. She also accompanied Andrew on the job interview to help him through the process. Andrew was offered his choice between a maintenance position or a role as a cart associate. He chose cart associate and has been thriving in the role ever since.

As a cart associate, Andrew is responsible for returning carts to the store entrances and making sure there are always enough large and small carts for people to use when they come into the store. It is important to collect the carts in a timely manner because loose carts in the parking lot can blow into cars or block driving lanes. Andrew enjoys using the electric cart pusher because it allows him to double his cart load, pushing up to 20 carts at a time instead of the 10-12 he can do by hand.

Not only has Andrew learned many new skills through his work, including the value of being kind to customers, but he has met many new friends as well. While the rain and freezing temperatures can sometimes make his work more difficult, Andrew still feels lucky to have a job and make his own money.

When Andrew is not at work, he likes to watch game shows and the Cleveland sports teams on TV. He also enjoys spending time doing activities at Metzenbaum Center's recreation department. Andrew enjoys constructing with Legos and putting together puzzles. In warmer weather, you may see him riding his bike and visiting people in his neighborhood.

GCBDD'S COMMITMENT

The Geauga County Board is committed to finding employment for the individuals we serve by partnering with private providers and local businesses. More than 58 area businesses have embraced this idea and currently employ individuals with disabilities.

If your business would like to partner with the board, call **440.729.9406.**

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