ON THE JOB TRAINING

Gives the client an opportunity to learn various job-related skills and offers employment to them in different departments of our facility. Painting, upholstery, cafeteria work, sewing, janitorial, grounds and landscaping are areas included.
VOCATIONAL PLACEMENT

Before clients are assigned to a given work site they are given a comprehensive vocational evaluation. An Interdisciplinary Team conference is held to discuss work readiness, and clients are given an orientation/try out session. Individualized vocational goals and objectives are developed by Interdisciplinary Team (Unit Staff, Work Area Supervisor, Industrial Therapist, and client) in order to achieve maximum benefit from the program.

STAFFING

Provided by credentialed staff who are employed by the State of California: Industrial Therapists, Rehabilitation Therapist, Teachers and Psychiatric Technicians. Also utilized are teaching assistants and services of Foster Grandparents and Senior Companions who work on a one to one basis with the clients enrolled in the Work Training Center.

ACCREDITATION

By the Accreditation Council for Services for Mentally Retarded and other Developmentally Disabled Persons. And all State and Federal licensing requirements.
VOCATIONAL SERVICES

Is a State operated program offering employment and Vocational Education services to the Developmental and Mentally Disabled.

OUR PURPOSE

To assist each individual to move as far as possible along a continuum from vocational dysfunctions to remunerative employment and entry into the main-stream of society as an independent citizen and worker.

WORK ADJUSTMENT

Training area involves an introduction to work environment through community awareness activities. Focusing on the practical skills needed for job acquisition and job maintenance. Emphasis is placed on Interpersonal and Communication Skills and knowledge of work practices as determined by Criterion-References and Norm-Referenced Assessments.

WORK TRAINING CENTERS

Many different types of work are being done for a variety of companies by our clients. This includes the use of packaging machinery: shrink wrapping, blister packing and skin packaging products. Other jobs are inspecting, cleaning, assembling, collating, recycling and wine labeling. Production of ceramic wind chimes is a proprietary product.
The transitional area was instituted to assist the clients that needed more help in making the move from the classroom to the work setting a positive experience.