

PROMOTING ABILITIES IMPACTING MICHIGAN'S ECONOMY



ANNUAL REPORT 2008

MICHIGAN REHABILITATION SERVICES

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, LABOR & ECONOMIC GROWTH

MISSION

MRS partners with individuals & employers to achieve quality employment outcomes and independence for individuals with disabilities.

RETURN ON INVESTMENT

For every \$1.00 spent on public vocational rehabilitation services, \$12.66 returns to Michigan's economy.

VISION

MRS will be a premiere organization to promote an inclusive workforce system that provides each individual with a disability the opportunity for employment leading to independence.

2008 OUTCOMES

MICHIGAN CITIZENS WITH DISABILITIES

	Title 1 funding
SERVED:	47,033
APPLIED FOR SERVICES:	20,413
DETERMINED ELIGIBLE:	17,319
SIGNED INDIVIDUAL PLANS FOR EMPLOYMENT:	14,486
SUCCESSFULLY EMPLOYED:	7,543

RETURN ON INVESTMENT (Revised)

(For customers of MRS who achieved a competitive employment outcome.)

↪ Annual income increased by:	\$84,500,000
↪ Increase in taxes paid:	\$25,000,000
↪ Total cost of MRS services:	\$26,700,000

REHABILITATION SUCCESSES BENEFIT EVERYONE!

“Without MRS, I wouldn’t have my independence . . . My counselor was my guardian angel and helped me find the right direction in life.”

- Eric of Woodland

For Customers of MRS,

the benefits are employment and a career . . . inclusion in the community . . . enhanced self-esteem . . . independence . . . establishing a life style that meets ones needs and desires . . . self sufficiency. . . and increased spending power.

For Employers,

the benefits are qualified workers, matched to workplace needs. . . post-employment services to ensure employer satisfaction. . . workers who have great attendance and commitment records to their employer . . . and reduced worker replacement costs.

For the Taxpayers of Michigan,

the benefits are reduced welfare costs . . . reduced costs of institutionalization . . . and increased tax revenues.



DISABILITY CHARACTERISTICS SERVED:

Physical Disability	24.9%
Mental Disability	17.9%
Learning Disability	16.6%
Hearing Loss	18.0%
Cognitive Disability	13.3%
Drug Abuse	5.3%
Alcohol Abuse	3.1%

MICHIGAN CAREER & TECHNICAL INSTITUTE (MCTI) AN OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL!

A separate residential vocational, educational facility, MCTI offers a unique blend of caring support services and state-of the-art training for business and industry. The campus, located on the shores of Pine Lake in southwestern Barry County, is fully accessible. For eligible adults who have a physical or mental disability, tuition, and room and board in the dormitory are free.

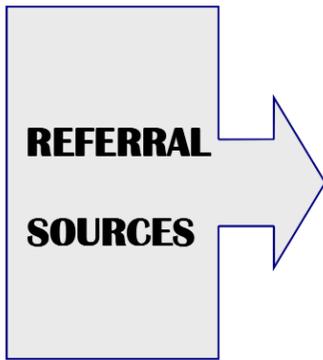


ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2007

Highest number of graduates ever—328 students
 Placement rate for 2007 graduates—82%, with 75% trade-related
 Training program retention rate—96%

AVERAGE
LENGTH OF TIME
TO A
SUCCESSFUL
EMPLOYMENT
OUTCOME:

18 MONTHS



PUBLIC EDUCATION	19.0%
OTHER SOURCES	26.6%
MEDICAL AGENCIES/ PHYSICIANS	24.4%
SELF-REFERRAL	16.1%
COMMUNITY REHABILITATION PROGRAMS	7.0%
MI WORKS! SERVICE CENTERS	3.4%
SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION	0.7%
POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION INSTITUTES	1.9%
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES	0.8%

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**MRS STAFF:
PARTNERING WITH CUSTOMERS TO SUCCESS!**

Michigan Rehabilitation Services is a statewide public vocational rehabilitation services agency, with 36 locations that manage both the administrative and direct service functions needed in local communities.



One of the key aspects of our service system is the individualized services that are offered. A partnership is developed between the customer and the masters level counselor, which leads to the determination of a career path and the creation of an individual plan for employment.

528 MRS staff work each day to positively impact the lives and related employment goals of Michigan citizens with disabilities.



**CUSTOMERS REPORT THAT THEIR
COUNSELORS MAKE THE
DIFFERENCE!**



Working to Create Michigan's Future Today

The Michigan Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids, services and other reasonable accommodations are available upon request to individuals with disabilities, as required by law.

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