

Why MRS?

We believe in our Michigan citizens. We help to improve our communities by supporting over 7,000 enter meaningful careers each year. We work with individuals who have a variety of abilities and capabilities to discover career pathways and navigate barriers to employment.

We have offices that reach every community in our state. Our goal? It's simple. To increase the number of Michigan citizens in achieving their goals of a meaningful career and self-sufficiency. Michigan is home to approximately 1.3 million individuals with disabilities and we take pride in helping people achieve their employment goals.

Who should reach out to MRS?

We work with individuals who have a physical or mental health impairment that makes it difficult to get a job or to maintain employment that requires our services. Individuals who are eligible for Social Security disability programs (SSDI, SSI) who are interested in returning to work or supplemental employment are presumed eligible.

Persons who are legally blind are served by the Bureau of Services for Blind Persons (BSBP). More information about BSBP can be found at www.michigan.gov/bsbp or by calling 1-800-292-4200.

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How does MRS work?

Each customer who comes to MRS for services is paired with a vocational rehabilitation counselor. Once you are found eligible, your MRS counselor partners with you to:

- Discover a career based on your interests and abilities and your local labor market information. This may include assessments such as, interest and aptitude tests, work evaluations, additional guidance from your medical doctor regarding physical capacities or job tryouts.
- Create a plan that includes strategies and services needed to achieve your employment goal. Services may include training, job placement assistance, accommodations/ assistive technology, and much more. How long your plan will take depends on your disability, the job you are preparing for and the type of services you will need. Your counselor will assist you in following the activities and services identified in your plan.
- Remain in contact with you to ensure you are successfully maintaining employment.
- Provide you a copy of MRS-PUB-310 Your Rights and Responsibilities as a Customer.

Who pays for services?

Many services are available to you at no cost, including vocational counseling, vocational exploration and evaluation, placement services, cover letter and resume writing, and to identify grants, scholarships and other resources that are available to assist in meeting your employment goal.

You may be asked to contribute to the cost of services, however, your ability to contribute will not prevent you from receiving services.

MRS for students between the ages of 14-26

MRS offers Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS) for high school or college students with disabilities between the ages of 14-26. Transition students partner with their counselor to discover an exciting career pathway that is based on their interests, abilities, and capabilities. Students will gain knowledge and experience in the world of work and begin to design their career pathway as they prepare to leave high school.

Pre-Employment Transition Services are designed to help students get early exposure to career pathways. They are provided information in 5 main areas:

1. Job Exploration Counseling
2. Work-Based Learning Experiences
3. Counseling on Postsecondary Education Opportunities
4. Workplace Readiness Training
5. Instruction in Self-Advocacy, including Peer Mentoring

How to get started with MRS

If you are interested in working with MRS, you can access our office locator at <https://www.michigan.gov/leo/bureaus-agencies/mrs/orientation-intro/mrs-office-locator> to find the office nearest your home. You may also contact us at:

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1-800-605-6722* (toll-free, voice)

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