

# **I dreamed of a paid job and I achieved it!**



**Hi, my name is Lisa and I am very proud to tell you of my journey. All my life I have dreamed of a paid job and I have spent a very long time improving myself and working very hard that in hope that I could one day achieve this!**

**Over the years I have completed many courses in many different areas and in most recent times I have been volunteering and improving my skills. I absolutely love all my volunteering jobs, old and new...**



**When I heard that the Learning Disability Involvement Team were looking to employ an Involvement Co-ordinator co-worker, I was very excited to do some research and apply and to my amazement I got an interview!**

**I was over the moon and ready to work hard on my interview preparation!**



**Amy from the involvement team phoned me and told me I had done brilliant and I was through to the next stage. I had to do some work on Easy Read and then one day I got a phone call from John saying “YOU’VE GOT THE JOB”. I was soooooo shocked. I had finally achieved my biggest goal.. A PAID JOB!**

**I cant wait to start now and help others to get involved and make our service even better!**

**YOU’VE GOT  
THE JOB**

**DREAMS DO  
COME TRUE**



**John**





**I am so proud of myself and I continue to push for more. I have just sent my CV to “Workfit”. My next challenge is another paid job at Leeds University.**



**TO BE CONTINUED.....**

# My Leeds University Job!



**I received a phone call from a lady called Becki who works for the Down syndrome Association, she said she had been trying so hard to find me, she had heard so much about me and said she may have some great opportunities for me!**

**I invited her to meet me at the office, we had a great meeting, Becki was amazed by what I do each week and my achievement and goals.**

**Becki asked me if I would like to work together to find another paid job, of course I did!  
I told Becki I would love another café job.**

**Becki told me that Leeds university were looking for somebody new to work in the very busy cafes and that she had already told them about me and they were very excited to hear more!**

**I filmed a short video taking about myself, my weekly activities and my goals for Becki to show them when they had the meeting about me. I am now waiting to hear back and I am very hopeful and excited!**



**My support worker told me that Becki had been in a meeting with an NHS company in Hull hoping to get them to give some work opportunities to candidates.**

**Becki told them all about me and everything I do and how I still want so much more!**

**The company were amazed by my story and offered lots of opportunities to people with down syndrome looking for work!**

**I just couldn't believe that I had helped other people too!!**