

## Peter's Employment Success Story



I been working  
there almost 2  
years.

One day, I was volunteering at the Front Desk for East Whittier YMCA. I wanted to try something new. For example, working somewhere where they accept and welcome people with disabilities. On March 28, 2015, I applied to Farrell's Ice Cream Parlor in Brea, Ca. I had to fill out a job application. I also included my resume. With in two days, I was coming out of a job interview from Knott's Berry Farm in Buena Park, Ca. I missed the call. I called back and see who it was, and it was from Farrell's. The lady form the restaurant told me she wanted to set up a job interview. On April 1, 2015, I attended the interview. I was little bit nervous because it was a new chapter for me. While at the interview, I disclosed my disability. Overall, the interview went very well. Monday, April 6, 2015, I followed up with the manager to see if I got the job. Around afternoon that day, I got a job, and I was so excited because I want to have a income for myself. April 8, 2015, I went to orientation. I started working on April 17, 2015. My family supported me, but I did it independently most of all with out the California Dept. of Rehabilitation.

When I first started working there, I did not know what to do first on the job. The Eastern Los Angeles Regional Center provided a Job Coach under Community Integration Training (CIT), for checking on me and see how I was doing at work. We also worked on soft skills. A month and half later, I got employee of the month in May. I was not expected for anything, I only had a Job Coach for 2 months. I asked my managers lot of questions while on my ninety days probation.

When I first go hired at Farrell's, I worked 2 to 3 days; however, the company is starting to go out of business. I only work 1 day since August of 2016 during the difficult times. The only time I need support from In2Vision if I have a problem at work. My managers and staff would discuss how I am I am doing, and review my performance.



The other two jobs I had was East Whittier YMCA volunteer work, and Sears for seasonal. While working at Farrell's Ice Cream, I continue to go school full time.

If you want to get in any career you desire, did you know the California Department of Rehabilitation can help you find well paying jobs, or similar Ticket to go work? Take advantage, and it is worth your time. Education is very important. Without education, you wont find very good jobs in the future.

