

The second-year recipient of a grant through Willamette Workforce Partnership (WWP), De Muniz provides Specialized Services to job seekers impacted by incarceration. In partnership with WorkSource Oregon, clients are connected to training opportunities and programs such as apprenticeships, On-The-Job Training, and Transitional Jobs. Direct referrals can also be made to partners, such as Vocational Rehab, Easterseals, Veteran Services, Empowerment And Leadership For Youth And Young Adults (ELY), and Chemeketa Community College.

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Employment Specialist Madisyn Coniglio provides career coaching to individuals who are currently incarcerated and those experiencing barriers due to past convictions. “Work Ready Assessments” are used as part of an in-depth, one-on-one intake process to determine each client’s particular needs and goals.

*Individualized Services* may include:

- Personalized and Tailored Resumes
- Computer Assistance—navigating online job search tools and applications
- Mock Interviews
- On-Site Hiring Events and Job Fairs

*Supportive Services* are also available to those who secure a full-time job offer:

- Bus Passes
- Assistance with State ID/Driver’s License
- Gas Vouchers
- Work Attire, Uniforms, Gear, Tools, etc.
- Food Handler’s Card
- Flagging Certificate

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These collaborative efforts and an ongoing commitment to providing individualized services has allowed De Muniz to help numerous clients obtain employment and, more importantly, regain confidence. Clients had the following to say about their experience and the assistance they received:

*"Staff at De Muniz Resource Center gave me hope. They gave me a second chance when I needed it the most."*

*"Being able to have a resource to help get identification, also getting started and making connections to better help me navigate through the apprenticeship program is huge!"*

*"Ms. Coniglio overextended herself by providing an abundance of employment opportunities. Having just relocated from N.Y., this is really just awesome. I already feel like a success story. There are no adequate words to describe the assistance De Muniz provides."*

