



Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities' Tom Wescoat Finds his Purpose at P & T Millwork

BACKGROUND

The mission of the Geauga County Board of Developmental Disabilities is to help local individuals with developmental disabilities live, learn and earn in the community. One of its clients, Tom Wescoat, has worked at P & T Millwork in Chagrin Falls since 1998.

TOM'S STORY

Tom was hired in 1998, before his current supervisor. At 66 years of age, he is one of the oldest people in his department, but he shows no sign of slowing down.

"Tom is a great employee," said his supervisor, Mike Doyle. "Everyone loves working with him. He said he has no interest in retiring and that he wants to work until he drops, which is fine with me!"

Tom's responsibilities are primarily custodial, and he takes pride in doing them well. He gets to and from work using transportation provided by the Metzenbaum Center, but he is largely independent while he is working.

"Tom has a great sense of humor. You can joke and have a fun conversation with him," Doyle said. "We have a lot of fun together. He does a really nice job, and everyone likes having him here. We appreciate all the work that he does for us."

GCBDD'S COMMITMENT

The Geauga County Board is committed to finding employment for the individuals we serve by partnering with private providers and local businesses. Several businesses have embraced this idea, including the Weils of Bainbridge, Hamlet Village, Giant Eagle, Pizza Hut, Kuhnle Brothers, White House Chocolates, Bob Evans, Drug Mart, University Hospitals Geauga Medical Center and Heinen's.

If your businesses would like to partner with the board, call 440.729.9406.



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