Sam

1. What I want in a job

A job working with his horses - training horses, keeping up the barn and grounds, and helping kids learn more about horses. Enough money to pay the bills, go on vacation and eventually have my own place.

2. What I don't want in a job

To work early mornings before 10:00am. To be inside at a desk. To be sitting still all day not using my hands. To be around alcohol.

3. My interests

Riding and caring for horses Fishing Playing video games Bowling Taking pictures

4. My resources and supports

My mom and dad and brother Jeremy are my go to people, but my neighbors Jill and Bruce are like family too - they are my back up. My brother Jeremy lives within 10 minutes of me. I get together weekly with some friends to bowl or play video games. My case manager of 10 years, Lorraine, knows me well and is a big support. She gets me.

5. My transportation

My prarents, brother and neighbors mostly give me rides now. At my last job I car-pooled with co-workers which helped make sure I got to work on time. I have a bike and ride that if it is not too far.

6. My home

I live with my parents now. Would like to get my own place eventually but first I need to get a job and save up.

7. My talents, skills and knowledge

I am good with kids Took a welding class so know a little about welding. Mechanical - can fix things and work on small engines I have been riding horses since I was two. They call me the horse whisperer I am very outgoing and love to talk with people. I will have a conversation with anyone who is willing!

8. My experiences

I have three years experience working with kids - a classroom assistant with a second grade class. Church mission trips - building garages - loves working with my hands Working with my dad fixing things on the farm including tractors and small engines Taking care of and training horses Completed information interviews and tours of a boarding horse barn, a gas station and a bowling alley.

9. Things we learned

I liked the barn tours the best. But not big barns with lots of rules. I don't like business side of managing a horse barn, but love tending to the horses and barn, as well as the customers. I want to learn more about equine therapy. Like jobs where I can interact with people - gas station I like because I get to talk to people.

10. My conditions for success

I need to work away from alcohol. I completed treatment and my sobriety is important to me. I Need daylight or I get depressed. I need to be able to move around in a job and have a variety of things to do. Need supportive people around me. I like working outside (when the weather conditions are not extreme). I prefer school age kids, not really young kids or older tee

11. Possibilities and ideas for work

I now know I want to work in smaller barn, I like the one I toured but I am open to other barns in the area too. I am open to working somewhere with kids (like summer rec programs - but not at a daycare) or with small engine mechanics. I need to earn at least \$1,300 a month so I can pay for my car and insurance, and can start saving for my own place.