

Kelly (Michigan)

Kelly is a part-time clerk in the 33rd Judicial District Court. She files tickets and court files, processes collection letters, and tracks tax garnishments in the state computer system.

Finding employment in the community was a challenge for Kelly, because employers did not seem to understand the needs of people with disabilities. However, with supports, Kelly overcame this challenge.



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Kelly received job training with Services to Enhance Potential (STEP) through their work readiness training program and working in the thrift store. She recognizes how critical this prior experience was in helping her find competitive employment. “It’s important to be on time and to be a good worker,” she said.

Kelly enjoys working in the community. “I have grown, and I’m meeting new people,” she said. Kelly believes it is important to increase opportunities for people with disabilities to achieve competitive, integrated employment, “because it helps us become independent!”

