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| **SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT & JOB COACHING**  Once a suitable job has been identified, a job analysis will be done to ensure a quality and successful job match. Members can be provided with assistance in locating job leads, completing job applications, and arranging job interviews. They also can be accompanied on job interviews by a job coach who will provide support and assistance as necessary.  Once employment has been obtained, the member will be assisted by an on-site Job Coach who will assist him/her in becoming acclimated to the new work setting and routine, implement workplace accommodations, provide additional training and support, and monitor progress.    **REFERRAL PROCESS**  Referrals are a two-way conduit. DVRS can send a new client to  Opportunity Project for Vocational Evaluation, Work Adjustment Training, or Supported Employment, and Opportunity Project can also initiate a referral by recommending a member who has progressed to the point where employment is a viable option. Members will be asked to sign a release so that all pertinent medical records can be shared with the DVRS counselor.  **For General Clubhouse Information**  **973-921-1000 or visit http://www.opportunityproject.org**  **For Program Inquiries and Referrals contact**  **Oneka Cyrus, Social Worker**  **973-921-1000 Ext. 108**  **ocyrus@opportunityproject.org**      **For donations contact**  **Julie London, Development Coordinator**  **973-921-1000 Ext. 105**  [**jlondon@opportunityproject.org**](mailto:jlondon@opportunityproject.org)  **Or visit** [**http://www.opportunityproject.org**](http://www.opportunityproject.org)  Opportunity Project Inc.  60 East Willow Street  Millburn, New Jersey 07041  973-921-1000  973-921-2007 fax  Visit us on the web:  www.opportunityproject.org  Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter | 22267984 CSH Opportunity Project Combined CSH Logo Design m1c  Marthon Group HI Res Building Photo  Opportunity Project Inc.  60 East Willow Street  Millburn, New Jersey 07041  973-921-1000  973-921-2007 fax  Visit us on the web:  [www.opportunityproject.org](http://www.opportunityproject.org)  Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter @OppProj |

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| **Who We Are**  **Opportunity Project** is an innovative nonprofit organization developed by and for people with brain injuries. We are the first and only free standing Clubhouse program in the state of New Jersey.    In June 1993, people with brain injuries and their family Members founded **Opportunity Project**. The goal is to develop vocational, social and other support systems, and to provide the opportunity for people with brain injury to lead more independent and fulfilling lives.  **Mission Statement**  To empower people with brain injuries to achieve:  ♦ Self-esteem  ♦ Self-determination  ♦ Personal growth  ♦ Independence  ♦ Attainment of their full potential  **Opportunity Project** will accomplish its mission by establishing a place and developing programs through a collaborative partnership among people with acquired brain injuries, family members, staff, and community.  Recovery from brain injury is a lifelong process. Opportunity Project’s Clubhouse Program provides a supportive environment for recovery and reintegration back to family and community.  Opportunity Project is there throughout this process offering support, encouragement, challenge and experiences to assist our Members in adjusting to and creating a new life.    The Clubhouse Program is divided into units, which incorporate all program operations and activities, while providing training for members to learn key prevocational and daily living skills to assist them in their everyday life. | **Cognitive and Community Integration Skills Unit** includes management of transportation, community resources and integration, skill development in: reading, writing and cognitive training. Development of: compensatory strategies and systems, planning and organization, initiation and follow through, social recreational skills, effective communication and effective and consistent problem solving skills for everyday problems.  **Nutrition Unit** provides formal awareness and education to our members on proper nutrition.  Staffed by a Nutritionist, the goal of this program is to increase awareness on the part of our members of not only food as directed by appetite, but as directed by nutritional requirements necessary to create a healthy mind/body connection. This program includes education, counseling as well as meal planning and preparation.  **Occupational Therapy Unit** staffed by a licensed Occupational Therapist. Services include assessments, counseling, and goal achievement. These services will help members increase independence as well as their ability to perform tasks in their daily living and working environment. Members not only will be able to improve their basic motor functions and cognitive abilities, but also to compensate for lifelong loss of function.  **Speech Therapy Unit**    Groups and individualized sessions assisting Members with communication  disorders, treating speech fluency, social and cognitive-communication  deficits along with challenges associated with brain injury.  **Social Work Unit** designed to assist members who require the services of multiple professionals, agencies, and health care providers. The social worker assists Members with funding issues, self-advocacy, housing, transportation and other life issues that affect their quality of life. Also includes individual and group counseling to members on adjustment issues, as well as on substance abuse, internet safety, hygiene and other relevant topics.  **Vocational Unit** includes Work Evaluation, Work Adjustment Training and Supported Employment/Job Coaching/Long-Term Follow Along programs.  Opportunity Project is affiliated with local county offices of The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) and provides a 25 day on site community evaluation and 90 day work adjustment training to individuals referred by the DVR as well as to any interested Members Both group and individual sessions are provided on a variety of topics such as resume writing, work ethics, professional communication, interviewing and interpersonal skills. |