

CORE Team – 10/25/2022

Guest - Sefakor Komabu-Pomeyie

Present – Bonnie Haug, Deb Forrett, Collier Shutter, Suzie Wagner, Josh Hallock, Caroline Trevarow, Brya Emery, Casey Haines

VCIL – promoting Disability pride for the differently abled

- Youth Transition Program – Self Advocacy Skills, Confidence Building, Disability Etiquette, Communication Skills, Independent Living Skills, Interview Practice, Housing & Transportation.
- Consists of a series of workshops designed to pass on skills to help prepare for life outside of high school. Self Advocacy Skills, Confidence Building, Disability Etiquette, Communication Skills, Independent Living Skills, Interview Practice, Housing & Transportation.
- They are led by people with disabilities who have made that transition themselves. Topics include confidence, communication, social media, self-advocacy and interviewing tips. HireAbility Vermont is an important partner in VCIL's Youth Transition work.
- Youth Advocacy Council - Youth on an IEP/504 plan (between ages 14 to 24) who want to make a change in their school or community.
- 4th Annual Youth Summit: Driven for Youth by Youth “Education, Empowerment, Equity” May 19th 9am-12:30pm via Zoom
- Sefakor can work with four groups – in school youth, those being home schooled, College level & Transition to jobs
 - Workshops Include – Disability Day, Group Identity, Rights and Laws, Racial Justice and Intersectionality (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity)
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Updates

Brya from STEPS shared that there are new materials at collegesteps.org

Suzie from VSAC shared scholarships – Curtis COV Training Scholarship for Windham County residents -Certification Advancement Grant.

Suzie also brought up the issue of experiencing students struggling at CCV.

Bonnie from HireAbility talked about strategies to get more involvement from schools.