

UCP and The PIPS

It is with great pleasure that I recognize United Cerebral Palsy of Stanislaus County (UCP) as our first Supported Employment partner in Stanislaus County to add the Paid Internship Program (PIP) to their program design. Within the first 6 months of UCP's PIP program, it has quickly began to benefit and help their individuals achieve their employment goals. I am excited to recognize the 4 current PIP placements listed below:

1. **Ramon Ortiz**-Interning as an IT worker with MM Technology Solutions in Modesto.
2. **Anna Miller**-Interning as a general bakery worker at Frost Bakery in Modesto.
3. **Isaiah Reyna**-Interning as a Janitor at Creekside Middle School with the Patterson Unified School District in Patterson.
4. **Bradly Jesus**-Going to be interning as a general worker at the Dragonfly Art for Life Art Studio in Modesto.

UCP continues to be committed to an excellence in service utilizing a person-centered approach in the areas of job placement, development, and implementation. Partnering with the Department of Rehabilitation and Valley Mountain Regional Center to help their individuals achieve Competitive Integrated Employment. I would like to thank Employment Services Manager Ignacio Chavez (ichavez@ucpstan.org) and his entire Supported Employment team at UCP (www.ucpstan.org) for offering the Paid Internship Program as part of the program design.

If there are any companies in Stanislaus County that are interested in partnering with Valley Mountain Regional Center and UCP to utilize the Paid Internship Program please contact Employment Specialist Enos Edmerson Jr. at 209-955-3672 or email eedmerson@vmrc.net

