

PCEC Success Story

I was looking for help in finding a career direction when I went to the Education Council. What I found was a whole lot more. I found a group of people who really cared and were interested in helping me. In particular, Mrs. Carol Spaulding took me under her wing. She reassured me that I didn't need to worry or look at my future as being limited. She started me off with tests to see what I was good at and what I enjoyed. Turned out that it was math and computers. Within a week I was enrolled in math classes and ended up in computer courses that gave me certifications as a computer repair specialist. The course director, Clif, was phenomenal. He taught all us kids in a way that was easygoing and respectful of us as individuals. What I learned was a whole lot more than how to tear a computer apart, put it back together and everything in between. He didn't let us get discouraged and give up. And he encouraged us all to take

this education anywhere or even to go into business for ourselves. He said we could do anything we wanted to do.

That seems to be the philosophy of everyone at the Education Council. Helene Nawrocki treated us all with respect and was very happy to see us succeed. She took the time to talk to each of us and told us to let her know about what we liked or didn't like about the programs. That was pretty unusual, and it felt great to know that our feelings were taken into consideration.

When I left Couderport a few years ago, I was proud to have a resume that showed my certifications in computer technology and the math courses I had completed with high grades. I had no trouble getting a high-paying, full-time job right away.



Sometimes it is hard to figure out what you want to do with your life. And, unfortunately when you're feeling down, it's easy to just give up. I know that the people at the Education Council really cared about me, and it was important to them that I was happy and able to reach my goals. I know they feel that way about everyone that comes through their door - they sincerely want to help. I will always be grateful to have had that opportunity, just a short driving distance from my own home. I know that I would not have been able to accomplish what I did in any other way.

Earl Harding

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