



VR Facts & Figures

- **N.C. Vocational Rehabilitation provides counseling, training, education, medical, transportation, or other support services to persons with physical or mental disabilities in order to help them become *independent or job-ready or both*.**
- **In 2005, 2,341 consumers served by the Independent Living Program reached their independent living goals.**
- **A successful employment outcome was achieved by 8,788 of our consumers.**
- **The average weekly earnings of our consumers before receiving employment services was \$53. Upon achieving employment, that average increased to \$278.**
- **In 2005, successfully employed individuals earned a combined total of \$2.4 million per week through employment gained with VR assistance.**
- **A seven-year study by the Research Triangle Institute indicated that individuals assisted in going to work by VR work an average 35 hours per week and earn an average \$8 per hour. The study also showed that 78.4% work in professional, managerial, technical, clerical, sales or service jobs.**
- **Nationally, every VR dollar spent will earn back \$2 to 4 in revenue from subsequent employment of VR consumers.**
- **Tax incentives are available to employers for hiring persons with disabilities and for adapting the workplace to accommodate an employee's specific disability.**