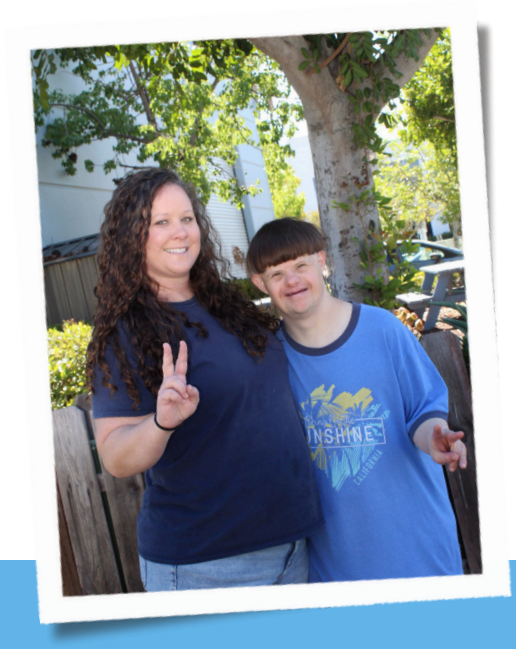
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MAKING EVERY CONNECTION COUNT



MEET JULIE

For Julie, being a DSP is about more than supporting participants. It's about truly getting to know them.

Whether someone is outgoing or a little more reserved, Julie takes the time to connect. She stays patient, asks questions, jokes around, and finds the little things that help each person feel comfortable being themselves. Over time, she has watched even some of the quietest participants begin to open up, socialize more, and build connections with others.

Those relationships are also what Julie loves most about her job. She looks forward to seeing her participants every day. Whether they're talking about everything, sharing stories, going on outings, or simply hanging out together, it's those everyday moments and connections that Julie loves most about her job.

"My participants bring so much happiness. I just look forward everyday to spending time with them."





Her team sees that connection, too. Her team describes her as someone who brings enthusiasm, compassion, and curiosity to the program, and someone participants and coworkers see as a safe and trusted person. Whether she's bringing everyone together for an activity, jumping in to help at the last minute, or simply making the best of the day, Julie shows up wholeheartedly.

This DSP Recognition Week, we celebrate Julie for turning everyday support into genuine friendship, and for making sure everyone, even the quietest person in the room, feels seen and included.