

Life Enrichment

We support clients for whom work is not a goal, as well as those who have retired from active employment. Clients enrolled in our Day Services program enjoy a variety of life enrichment activities of their choosing, and compassionate care from our staff.

Regular activities include onsite art, music therapy, horticulture activities in our greenhouse, recreational programs, and outings within the local community.

Self-Advocacy

Weekly self-advocacy groups are available to clients who choose Merrick for work support or life enrichment activities. Each group decides the focus of their meetings with concerns ranging from legislative matters, peer support, and mentoring.

Additionally, self-advocates participate in community service activities and present Ambassadors for Respect, interactive anti-bullying workshops in local elementary schools.



Ways to Get Involved

Hire a client, a work crew, or send an assembly or clerical project to us. Also, be sure to refer your friends and business associates to Merrick. Contact Pat Hanson at path@merrickinc.org or 651-789-6222.

Donate

For information about how to donate to Merrick, visit www.merrickinc.org and click on "Donate" under "Get Involved." Contact Karen Herrera at karenh@merrickinc.org or 651-789-6202 for more information.



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Empowering adults with disabilities and bettering our community since 1964.

About Merrick, Inc.

Established in 1964, as one of the original day activity centers in Minnesota, we served fifteen young adults with developmental disabilities that lived at home and could not secure adequate services from the public schools.

What remains at the core of our mission is empowering people to lead the life they choose. Today, we offer a variety of meaningful work options, life enrichment activities, and therapeutic programs to nearly 450 adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities at our two specialized sites in Vadnais Heights.

Through person-centered planning and with caring staff who provide direct support, clients at Merrick are finding their place in the world by:

- working in desired jobs;
- engaging in their communities;
- building relationships;
- enhancing personal skills, and
- leading more self-determined lives.



Business Solutions

- Direct Hire Placements
- Merrick Crews
- Contracts Fulfilled at Merrick, Inc.
- Document Destruction
- Plastic Recycling

Merrick, Inc., partners with more than 250 local businesses to provide meaningful employment for adults with disabilities in the Twin Cities. To fulfill our mission of empowering adults with disabilities, we collaborate with companies of all sizes and capacities.

We find the best and most beneficial fit for business partners and clients. Currently, clients work in assembly, cleaning, health care support, paper shredding, retail, restaurants, and clerical positions.

Plastic Recycling

We partner with local businesses to recycle plastic bags, stretch wrap, shrink wrap, and other plastics. Client crews collect, sort, and bale the plastic, diverting it from local landfills & incinerators.

Document Destruction

We are a bonded, licensed and secure provider of document destruction services. Clients sort, shred, and bale the documents.

A Work Option for Every Need

Direct Hire Placements

Hire clients to work on-site at your place of business providing customized duties specific to your business needs. Merrick job coaches provide regular or intermittent support to ensure clients are meeting the employer's expectations.

Merrick Crews

Three to six individuals work together as a team providing customized duties specific to the employers' needs. A Merrick job coach remains on-site and provides quality assurance while supporting the crew.

Contracts Fulfilled at Merrick, Inc.

We offer a variety of assembly, kitting, packaging, shrink wrapping, and heat sealing jobs completed by clients at our Work Services site in Vadnais Heights. Merrick Production professionals ensure outstanding quality and timely delivery of the completed contract.

