

## Vocational Rehabilitation

With the help of VR services I am able to live independently. I share an apartment with a roommate. I have a job with the University of Montana in Dining Services as a cashier in main cafeteria. With this job I can afford to pay my bills, meet my monthly needs and have a little left over for a savings account. Because of this I have been able to stabilize most areas of my life. I don't need as much in personal care but I continue to use the cooking, laundry and shopping services as it is a critical part of my daily living.

I continue to have ongoing support form Extended Employment Services at the WORC Center at Community Medical Center. Through the WORC Center I use the services of a job coach when I need to learn new skills to advance in my job.

Summit Independent Living Center has helped me in some aspects of my daily living. They have provided advice on what to do in certain situations with my personal care services.

I am also part of the Missoula Valley People 1<sup>st</sup> chapter at Summit.

I ask that you continue to fund these very vital programs that help people with disabilities continue to function and be an active part of their community.