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Venice on Vine is a pre-employment job training, stabilization, and job placement program for individuals with barriers to traditional employment, that utilizes both a traditional pizzeria and a commercial catering kitchen as unique classrooms.

Who: Adults who are:

1. unemployed
2. encountering barriers to traditional employment
3. ready to learn
4. drug free
5. willing to set, discuss, and work to accomplish goals in cooperation with program staff.

Typically, Trainees encounter barriers to traditional employment. These barriers may include: sufficient transportation, a history with the court system, history of addiction, lack of job history, and a lack of professional job references among others.

What: paid on-the-job training which develops both "soft" and "hard" personal skills such as:

- commercial kitchen knowledge
- how to show up to work on time
- how to overcome transportation difficulties
- working with others
- how to talk to your boss
- how to find childcare
- how to avoid a housing crisis
- writing a resume
- where to find assistance from other local agencies (for prescriptions, affordable furniture, healthcare, mental healthcare, affordable housing, GED classes, etc.)

Before the first interview, you will need to fill out a *complete* application.

For the first interview you will need to:

1. Come dressed appropriately (no ripped or dirty clothing, no pajamas, no shorts, and no revealing clothing)
2. Come ready to discuss your barriers to traditional employment

What is needed to start the training program:

1. a valid ID
2. social security card
3. a valid mailing address
4. a bank account or bank card with a routing number and account number
5. a conviction record transcript from the City of Cincinnati and County of Hamilton – no more than 60 days old (This is also referred to as a "blue sheet". You can obtain one at the Hamilton County Justice Center south building located at 1000 Sycamore St., Room 100, Cincinnati, OH 45202. The Office is open Monday-Friday 7am to 3pm.)

Within the context of the interview process, if it becomes apparent that securing some of these items themselves is a barrier to move forward, the Program staff may be able to provide assistance.

If enrolled in the program, within the first 30 days you will need to:

- Obtain black, nonskid kitchen shoes AND loose black pants appropriate for the kitchen
- Meet with program staff to identify barriers and discuss individualized program goals

Program requirements

You must be able to:

- Pass a drug test
- Participate in 22 hours of training a week (with opportunities for additional hours)
- Show up on-time and in uniform
- Take responsibility
- Follow instructions and ask questions
- Respect other workers and customers
- Set personal and career goals
- Work with Staff to reach your goals
- Refrain from criminal activity and substance abuse
- Share what you learn
- Be on your feet 5-7 hours per day
- Work in hot and cold environments
- Lift weights of up to 25 pounds repeatedly without accommodation

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Please contact us by phone if you have any further questions and someone will return your call within 3 business days.

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