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SkillSource Group Ticket to Work Employment Network Surpasses New Milestone in Transitioning Jobseekers with Disabilities into Employment

Tysons Corner, Virginia – The *SkillSource* Group, Inc., and the Virginia Career Works Northern Region announced that its Northern Virginia Ticket to Work Employment Network had surpassed \$2 million in revenues earned to support local adults with disabilities transitioning to full-time employment. Since 2010, 237 local adults with disabilities have gone to work through the Northern Virginia Ticket Program, allowing these individuals and their families to transform their lives through work, skills training, and self-sufficiency.

The Ticket to Work Program supports adults receiving Supplemental Security Income and Social Security Disability payments to return to work and to manage their Federal income and health benefits. A Social Security beneficiary is provided a Ticket, and can freely choose to collaborate with any Ticket Employment Network. An Employment Network only earns income when the new salary of the beneficiary meets or exceeds Social Security thresholds resulting in reduced or zero cash benefits. The Northern Virginia Ticket Employment Network was created in 2010 by The *SkillSource* Group, Inc. and was founded by Ms. Lauren Parker.

The Chairman of the Virginia Career Works Northern Region, William 'Ed' Trumbull, a Vice President at ICF International, said that "This new accomplishment by our Northern Virginia Ticket to Work Program reflects our ongoing efforts to deliver excellent workforce and customer service to our fellow Northern Virginia residents who are seeking to find a foothold in our strong regional labor market. Christopher Rieley, the Chairman of The *SkillSource* Group, Inc. and Vice President of The Bank of Clarke added that "Our efforts to transition Social Security beneficiaries to full-time employment supports private sector employers seeking new workers, while also reducing financial strain on the Social Security Trust Fund. Everyone wins when the Ticket Initiative is successful and The *SkillSource* Group is honored to be a leader in Virginia and the Mid-Atlantic Region."

Learn more about the Northern Virginia Ticket to Work Employment Network and the Northern Virginia public workforce system at https://vcwnorthern.com/ticket-to-work/ or by calling (703) 827-3782.