Melwood's abil*IT*

BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS | BRINGING SMART BUSINESS SOLUTIONS | BUILDING A MORE INCLUSIVE WORLD

A program designed to prepare people with disabilities to enter careers in technology and meet growing workforce demands.

With approximately 350,000 unfilled positions in the computer science industry, the demand for entry-level technology staff has never been higher. abil*IT* leverages the untapped potential and talent of people with disabilities who are often underemployed, offers a top-quality IT workforce solution for employers who want to benefit from a neurodiverse workforce, and builds a pathway to meaningful employment for people with disabilities.

In partnership with Cybrary, abil*IT* leads participants through an intensive training program consisting of technical training and professional and personal development. abil*IT* is designed to ensure participants are equipped with both the know-how and soft skills necessary to join and succeed in the Information Technology or Cybersecurity fields.

Partnering with Melwood not only helps employers find great talent, but often also adds to their bottom line. The Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) has produced over $1 billion in tax savings to employers who hire people with disabilities. Melwood can help employers maximize this added benefit while working with people with disabilities to launch their careers.

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Program Overview

Melwood's abil*IT* is a 14-week program offered in partnership with Cybrary, creator of the most extensive massive open online course in the cybersecurity arena. By pairing innovative, highly technical training with personalized soft skills instruction, abil*IT* equips participants with the skills they need to build lifelong careers as competitive technology professionals through job search and placement assistance.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING CURRICULUM OUTCOMES INCLUDE:

- The skills to compete for entry-level information technology positions
- The ability to sit for IT Fundamentals+, A+, Network+, Security+ and/or MOS Core Certifications in MS Word and/or Excel.
- The soft skills necessary to land a job and work effectively as part of a project team (including resume and cover letter building, interview skills, teleworking and networking guidelines)

Ways to Partner with abil*IT*

- Recruit our candidates
- Establish a candidate pipeline to improve inclusive hiring and retention at your company
- Provide critical financial support to ensure program vitality

abil*IT* EMPLOYER PARTNERS:

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