# **EMPLOYMENT SUPPORTS**











# Support your student's transition from school to employment and understand their work potential with Barkuma

**The Transition Program School Leaver Employment Supports (SLES) Inclusive Employment Australia Supported Employment** 

At Barkuma, we understand that the transition to life after school can be overwhelming, and we're here to help you prepare your students for this important step.

We specialise in supporting young people with developmental delays, intellectual disabilities and Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Our person-centred approach means we can support them throughout their employment journey, whether that includes SLES, Supported Employment at our two sites in Elizabeth and Holden Hill, open employment or a combination of the above.







## **The Transition Program**

Barkuma's Transition Program is a 12-month program designed to assist final-year students. Based in the city, the program is delivered in an adult learning environment which assists students in gaining confidence, making new social connections and creates a sense of belonging. Through structured learning, skill development, accredited training, career guidance and work placement opportunities, students will gain skills and experience to assist them in transitioning from school into future pathways. Students do not need an NDIS Plan to access this program. Expressions of interest for the program open in July

# **School Leaver Employment Supports (SLES)**

Students can start at any time of the year, working with school timetables or after graduation, and will finish when they are ready for work. A Barkuma case manager will work with your student and their family to get to know what they are interested in, their skills and create individualised supports to set achievable goals. Skill development may include communication, transport training, money handling, personal hygiene, workplace norms, rights and responsibilities in the workplace and teamwork. The supports are delivered one-on-one, in group sessions and online.

Students must have an NDIS plan with SLES and a goal to work included.

## **Supported Employment at Barkuma Commercial Services**

Supported employment at Barkuma is a great way to develop skills, confidence, experience, and meet like-minded people. Employees receive a wage, have set hours of work, leave entitlements, superannuation and other benefits. Roles include assembly, packaging, labelling, food manufacturing, document destruction, as well as gardening and cleaning enterprises. Barkuma has specially trained and qualified supervisors as well as 'Peer Supervisors' who are other supported employees undergoing training and professional development to provide additional support to their peers.

Students must have an NDIS plan with a goal to work included.

## **Inclusive Employment Australia**

Barkuma's Inclusive Employment Australia service is proud of having the highest long-term employment success rates nationally for people with developmental disability. We work with over 300 employers across a range of industries and will help your students find the job that's right for them. Barkuma job coordinators will support students through interviews, be alongside them during job trials, and provide support and training to help them feel comfortable and confident in the role.

Students do not need an NDIS Plan, it is free for people with disabilities to access.





