

Marcedez and Kathy



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Marcedez is a wonderful young man who expressed to his Supports Coordinator, Kathy Lilly that he was interested in moving to a place that would provide him with more opportunities to further his dreams and goals. For two years, Marcedez and Kathy visited many homes without getting discouraged and he did not settle until he found the home that was the perfect fit for him. Marcedez transitioned into his new living arrangement with ease, happiness and enthusiasm.

After volunteering in the community for many years he decided that he had developed enough confidence to explore competitive community employment. He shared with Kathy that he wanted a real job that paid him money! With the help of Kathy, he began his first paid job working as a greeter at the 'Lights of Liberty' in Center City. He greets and meets tourists visiting the City of Philadelphia and, of course, the school children on their field trips. As part of the required training for his job he took his first ever carousel ride. Marcedez and Kathy worked together patiently to find the perfect place to live and the perfect job. Marcedez always faces whatever challenges and obstacles come his way with determination and a smile on his face. He is loved by many and he loves them in return.