



SERVICES FOR BRAIN INJURY (SBI)

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ANNUAL REPORT

SBI Provides a Continuum of Services for Individuals Who Have Sustained a Brain Injury

BACKGROUND:

SBI originated in 1989 as a 501(c) 3 non-profit corporation in partnership with the Santa Clara Valley Center, where healthcare providers recognized the need for community based services to help discharged patients and their families successfully re-integrate into their home and professional lives.

SBI provides a critical service to Santa Clara County, serving those who are released early from the hospital, lack insurance coverage, our soldiers returning from the war, or who are impacted by the state of the California economy in general. There is no other nonprofit provider exclusive to serving the brain injured population at all phases of post-acute rehabilitation at a cost that is affordable to those with brain injuries and their families.

SBI SERVICES INCLUDE:

- daily programs teaching self-care, academics, computer-aided learning, and socialization;
- speech therapy, occupational therapy, physical exercise and education;
- independent living skills training in cooking, home and money management, crafts, and volunteerism;
- vocational testing and evaluations, external situational assessments, job placement, resume writing, interviewing techniques;
- on-the-job coaching, and follow-along services;
- advocacy for housing, acquisition of entitlements, and transportation;
- counseling for clients and family members, after-care support groups, and community education.

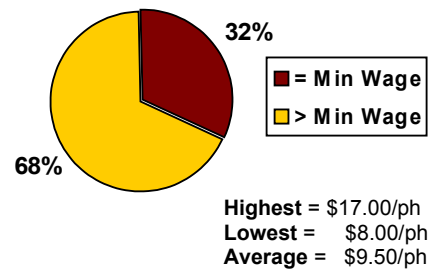
RESULTS:

The redesigned Immersion Program coupled with SBI's move into a larger facility just two blocks from its former site has helped clients meet their employment outcomes.

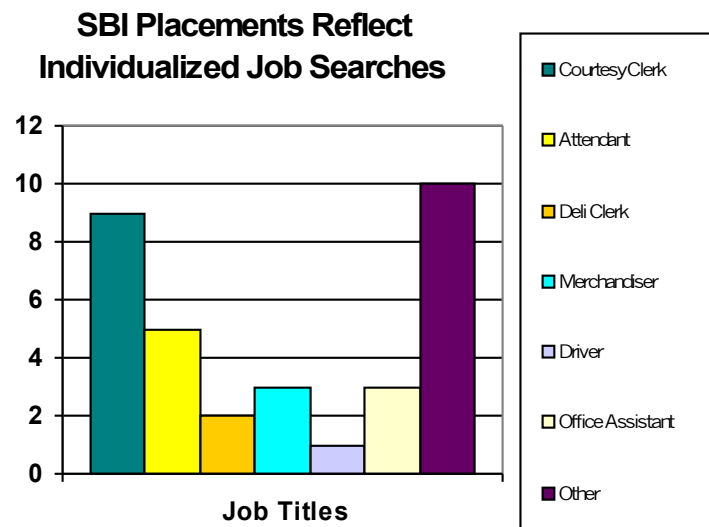
Based upon their Individual Employment Plan, clients self-selected program goals, and input from their Instructors, clients are helped to identified and address

barriers to employment. Clients participating in the Immersion program last year had remarkable success with goal attainment.

SBI Clients Earn An Average of \$9.50ph



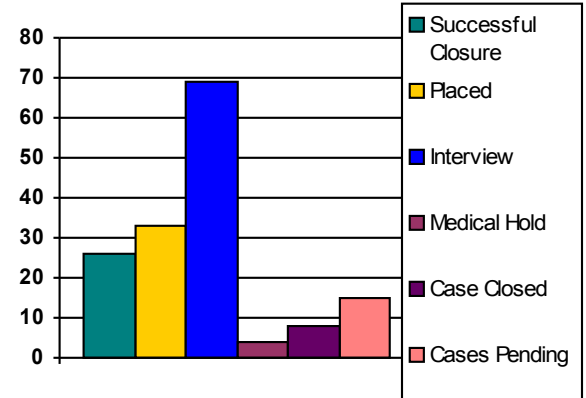
SBI Placements Reflect Variety of Industries



SBI UPDATES:

- SBI in San Jose is two blocks from its former site at the American Red Cross—access SBI at the Orchard Street Light Rail Stop to reach 60 Daggett Drive.
- SBI continues to deliver vocational services at 1440 Broadway in Oakland with a block-away BART Station.
- SBI was awarded its third three-year CARF accreditation in 2009.
- SBI has started a job club where clients who have completed immersion program and are in “job search” mode can come for support.
- SBI held its first Bay Area Brain Injury Taskforce (BABIT) Conference on May 16, 2009.
- SBI was featured in the San Jose Mercury Wish Book in December 2009 to support its Life Skills Lab and Independent Living Classes.

Supported Employment Outcomes



CONNECT! HIGHLIGHTS:

SBI participates in the quarterly Stakeholder meetings and attends CONNECT! sponsored events.

SBI continues to work closely with other CONNECT! Partners (BACED, Alliance for Community Care, Sensory Access Foundation, and Project Hired), taking advantage of the opportunities provided to share ideas and information with complementary agencies.

SBI particularly appreciates the CONNECT! Center where clients and staff can work with Department of Rehabilitation counselors and representatives from other agencies all in one place and oftentimes simultaneously.

SBI also encourages our clients to register with CONNECT to access workshops and to use the center as a resource in their job search.