

# MARYLAND STATE REHABILITATION COUNCIL

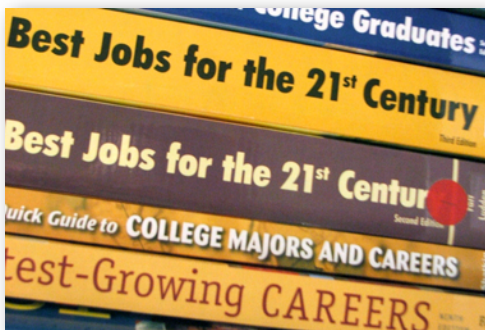
MARYLAND'S ADVOCATES FOR PUBLIC VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION



**DORS programs and services help people with disabilities go to work, become part of the community, live independently and, perhaps best of all, dream of a bright future.**

**Left photo** - Tim Wolfe meets with local merchants as part of his new job as a civilian community liaison for the Howard County Police Department. Tim's service dog, four-year-old Wyatt, is a conversation starter. He is pictured with PFC Jason Kindel (center) and Judy Madgar, owner of Rita's in Harper's Choice Village Center.

**Middle photo** - Bai, a Germantown resident who is deaf, came to DORS with a desire to work instead of collecting disability benefits. Though he loves cars, he says many people told him this would not lead to a good career. After making sure he had the aptitude, DORS and the Workforce & Technology Center arranged for on-the-job training at Collins Collision & Auto Repair in Essex. Ron Collins, the owner, expects to hire him as a permanent employee.



**Top right photo** - Charles is one of 11 Baltimore City public high school students who are spending their last year in school at the University of Maryland Baltimore's campus. They have a classroom onsite and rotate through real-work assignments

throughout the University. These students are part of Project Search, a national program for youth with developmental disabilities that combines academics and on-the-job experiences.



The Pathways Program, an initiative between the Community College of Baltimore County and the Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS), helps college students with autism spectrum disorders find success. This year, DORS case manager Sue Howarth (l) met regularly with Daniel to help him maneuver the challenges of college. Daniel plans to transfer to Towson University and major in business management.