

North Bay Region

Solano County

Workforce Development Board of Solano County



Turning doubt into confidence made all the difference for Sarah Gurganus. Sarah had the challenges of homelessness, health issues, and being a single mom to overcome. She also hadn't worked in ten years and was worried her skills were outdated. But her coach at the Workforce Development Board of Solano County says she was eager to learn new skills and better her life.

As part of the Welfare-to-Work Program, Sarah attended job readiness workshops with Success Track. "I feel if you follow the program, you'll eventually find something," said Sarah. "It's important to treat it like you already have a job. Job search is your job. And have confidence and faith in yourself."

Sarah also credits the job club and placement coaches at the Workforce Development Board of Solano County with helping her achieve success. With a lot of persistence and encouragement from her coach, Sarah landed two jobs in the beauty industry, a field she's always been passionate about.

Today, Sarah is working two part-time jobs as a beauty ambassador and receptionist with Bare & Beauty and A Little Insight Ultrasound Center. "I'm open for my future!" said Sarah. "I can see myself going into management within the retail beauty industry with Bare & Beauty, or possibly learning to be an ultrasound technician and getting my certificate."