# Positive Employment Outcomes

3,697 individuals with disabilities obtained or maintained employment after receiving services from the Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation in federal fiscal year 2017.

## Facts about these individuals

* As a group, the 3,697 individuals increased their tax payments by an estimated $14.6 million.
* Federal Income tax payments increased by ≈ $6.2 million
* State Income tax payment increased by ≈ $2.3 million
* Social Security tax payments increased by ≈ $6.1 million

### Personal Income and Insurance Benefits

* When they applied for OVR services, 1,468 (40%) reported that their primary source of support was their personal income with the rest depending upon family or government benefits. At closure, 3,169 (86%) listed personal income as their primary source of support. This is an increase of +1701 people supported by their own income.
* 74% increased their average income. Their average weekly earnings were $282.35 at application. After employment when their case was closed, they averaged $492.44 in earnings per week. This represents an average increase of $210.09 in weekly income, or $10,924.68 per year.
* At case closure, 1,931 consumers (52%) were receiving private health insurance benefits

#### Working with Others

In federal fiscal year 2017, the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation purchased $23,118,104.48 of services for its consumers. These expenditures went to 33,184 individuals, business and organizations in communities all over the state.