



Case Study

Scott Rowe

Energize Transformation Projects



Project: Skills for Jobs

Business Sector: Armed Forces

Location: Bedford

“When I was let go from my job in a sports shop last year, and then had to find a new place to live, I wasn't sure where to turn. At first, I signed up to Skills for Jobs because I wanted something to do rather than sit in all day. I thought it would be a doss, but it was better than I thought it would be and I got more interested in getting back to work.”

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”Although Scott had an inner confidence, he had a number of personal issues that he was trying to deal with that caused him some degree of anger. But he was ready to change his life and I could see that he needed our help.”

Scott heard about Skills for Jobs at the YMCA where he was staying and was then put in touch with Project Worker Nicky Honeywell of Energize Transformation Partnerships, a partner of TCHC.

“Skills for Jobs provides a mentor and weekly training sessions,” explains Nicky, “focusing on job-seeking skills, as well as confidence building exercises, all designed to help Scott get back to work.”

Scott wanted to look into learning a trade and originally looked into plumbing training courses. Sharon then suggested that Scott could learn a trade in the armed forces. “I would never have considered the army as a career option without Sharon and Nicky's advice, but I'm excited about the opportunities and I want to train to become a tank engineer in the Royal Mechanical and Electrical Engineers (REME),” says Scott. “The army's selection procedures are tough, which gave me a focus on getting fit, both physically and mentally. And Nicky has helped prepare me for the interview process.”

“I've got some work to do to satisfy the army's entry requirements,” says Scott, “and I'm confident I'll achieve my career goals with the ongoing support I receive from Sharon and Nicky.”

As well as improving his physical fitness, Scott was offered interview training and as Sharon tells us she noticed an immediate difference in Scott.

“I've seen a vast change in his appearance and manor since our first meeting a few months ago. He is much calmer more focused and determined to succeed, he is looking forward to meeting new people and to making new friends as the friends he has mixed with in the past have led him astray.”

“Nicky and I will always be on hand to help Scott should he need us and we have every confidence that he will succeed in with his new career choice”

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