

Pursuit NZ

Digital Wings is delighted to donate computers and a printer to Pursuit NZ to run their office and so that their jobseeker clients can type up CV's and job search online. Pursuit work with jobseekers in Hastings and outfit them for interviews. Also Pursuit NZ personnel Moira and Deborah run workshops at the Department of Corrections. Working with a small group who are transitioning to life on the outside, they help them recognise their skills and attributes, then write their own CV's including a personal statement and details, work and education history and add referees.

Overnight the handwritten CV's were typed up so that each of them had a hardcopy and one on USB for the future. They return the following day to work on interview skills. Pursuit takes along an outfit for each of them, following the careful instructions clients give about their sizing and colours that suited them. After changing into and admiring their new clothes (they all chose shirts, trousers and ties and looked so smart!) and some interview preparation, they set up mock interview panels. Everyone took part in an interview for the role of a truck driver. They each took a turn at being on the interview panels as well, to see how it felt being on the other side of the interview. From the 'meet and greet' in reception through to asking questions at the end of the interview, they all did really well and passed with flying colours.

When they are ready for employment PurSUIT have offered to refresh their CV's and interview skills and provide another outfit when they are successful at interview and go on to employment.

