# GOOD NEWS

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#### **Summer 2021**

#### **Back to Work Update**

Good Foot is on the move again and we have many new staff members to welcome to the community! We currently have 23 people participating in In, Up, and Out. **We hired 6 new Couriers** since May, and 3 have already completed their in-class training!

**9 staff returned to work in June and July.** We're so excited to have our team back!

We recently finished filming a Courier recruitment video and we hope it brings in even more new hires!













#### **New Office Staff**

In spite of the challenges of the past year, our team is expanding! You might've noticed some new names and faces during calls and in correspondence.

**Emily Dynes** is our new Project Coordinator, who helps with dispatch and projects relating to Business Operations and Donor Relations.

**Erica Wallis** is our Communications Assistant for the summer. She has been helping write reports, customer surveys, and new content for our blog and social media.

**Rumiko Suzuki** began with us as a placement student, and will continue on as our Support and Program Assistant, providing help with our In, Up, and Out employment and training program.

We're also now hiring for a Support Worker and Employment Support Specialist – check out our <u>website</u> for the job postings!

# **Local Partnerships**

Our Couriers are fostering partnerships through our In, Up and Out program. **Harley has been working with <u>Courage Cookies</u>** for the last few months. Way to go Harley!

Good Foot is also working with <u>**Rum It**</u>, a local entrepreneur who has entrusted our Couriers with putting together their DIY rum-tasting kits.



# **New Projects**

We have some very exciting new projects on the go. Our Courier training is transitioning to an online **LMS learning platform.** Our **Shopify store is also launching soon**, with Good Foot merchandise available to purchase.



### **Social Events**

As lockdowns are lifting and COVID news is improving, we have been so excited to start hosting in-person social events again, like our **staff picnic**. We got to play games, eat food, and see the friends and colleagues that we missed so much during lockdown. We can't wait for the next event! We have so much catching up to do.

We've also hosted virtual events, including a **Clueless movie review**, and a cookie-making workshop with delicious cookie kits provided by local baker <u>Carolina's Brownies</u>.



# **Courier Spotlight**



Two of our Couriers have moved out on their own!

Alan is now living in his own apartment right underneath his brother's place, and loves baking healthy treats for his nieces and nephews.

Jack has also moved into a newly updated basement apartment and has been getting used to the independence by cooking new dishes and prepping for his days. We're so proud of these huge milestones!



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