

## Nova Employment's jobs campaign has 'changed lives'

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THE Nova Employment Focus on Ability in Macarthur campaign has come to a close, placing 65 people with a disability in employment.

The campaign aimed to find 100 jobs for people with a disability in Macarthur in 100 days.

While it fell short of its target, Nova Employment chief executive Martin Wren said the campaign had made a significant contribution towards changing the lives of a large number of otherwise unemployed people, making it a "tremendous success".

"We really appreciate the support of the *Advertiser* in assisting 65 people to make the move from welfare recipient to that most noble role - taxpayer," he said.

"The sense of accomplishment and pride that comes from each of these new workers is just a joy to behold.

"The range and complexity of the jobs is outstanding. There's no 'typical' job and we have pretty much every industry covered: construction, manufacturing, retail, warehouse, admin."

Mr Wren said the other positive to come out of the campaign, which was backed by the *Advertiser*, was the increase in the number of apprenticeship and traineeship placements.

"I can't think of a better start to a young person's career than to learn a trade," he said.

■ If you are an employer who wants to know more about the Focus On Ability In Macarthur campaign, visit [novaemployment.com.au](http://novaemployment.com.au) or phone Julie or David at Campbelltown on 4632 3300, Jamie at Ingleburn on 8781 5000 or Heather at Camden on 4655 3873.