



Tri-Valley

Opportunity Council, Inc.
Employee Spotlight

Vikki Ernst

Relief Teacher
Monticello, MN

What's your name? Vikki Ernst

What's your title and location at Tri-Valley? Relief Teacher at Monticello. I started employment with Tri Valley in the spring of 2010.

What's your favorite thing about working in your position? I love the fact that I have the opportunity to get to know all of the children we serve.

Before working at Tri-Valley, what was the most unusual or interesting job you've ever had? It isn't unusual but I found it very interesting. I was a chef/kitchen manager at a wine bar/café.

Tell us about your family and/or pets. I am married with 2 children. Both of my kids got married this year and I have an amazing 18 mo old grandson. (I wants tons!!!) We have a 9 year old newfoundland/ lab mix who we call Tank. He is about 120 pounds but thinks he's a lap dog. We recently adopted two 8 week old kittens. Coco and Carmen.

Do you have any hobbies? My hobbies include cooking and making custom pallet/board signs.

If you could learn to do anything, what would it be? I would like to learn Spanish.

If you won the lottery, what is the first thing you would do? Go on a much needed vacation.

When you have 30 minutes of free time, how do you pass the time? I like to read and learn new things.

What's your favorite indoor/outdoor activity? During the summer months my husband and I enjoy boating.

What chore do you absolutely hate doing? All of them?? Haha. Putting laundry away is my very least favorite.

If you could meet anyone, living or dead, who would you meet and why? Jim Morrison. I've read books about him and he was very interesting in how he viewed the world and his beliefs.

What three traits define you? Loving, Kind and Reliable

If you had to eat one meal, every day for the rest of your life, what would it be? Yikes...probably seafood, garlic potatoes, Caesar salad and croissants. Or breakfast.