morning next on the show we're talking about an event celebrating the achievements of those who have taken part in the Working Win programme.

Sounds exciting, it aims to help people who have mental or physical health conditions across South Yorkshire get back into employment, to tell us more this morning we have Anthony Dandrea.

Morning Anthony, tell us about well the Working Win programme all together for those that haven't heard.

Good morning thank you for having me, yeah really excited to talk about it so Working Win is a free

service that works all across South Yorkshire so Barnsley, Sheffield, Rotherham, Doncaster and it is a it's a person centered support that's customised to help people find work, meaningful work that they want and it's really amazing and it's a wraparound support and it's not just for people that are looking for work it's also for people that are already in work but are really struggling to stay there and thinking about going off sick.

Talk to us about the kind of people that you support them when I say the kind of people I'm not saying they're different to you or I because that sounds a bit isolating but the people that come to you what sort of difficulties are they facing.

It's such a wide range and that's the great thing about it is there's not one condition that you know that is targeted for this type of support it could range all the way from someone who might have just finished rounds of chemo and they're now struggling to get back into the normal of life all the way down to someone who might have an anxiety condition that really struggles to get on public transport to maybe go to work that day and everything in between people with stomach conditions people with depression so really any physical and or mental health condition and just needs that little extra support to get back into the workforce.

So this Working Win programme if people are listening now thinking that sounds like me I could do with coming to you for help are you just open all the time.

Yes well the call the 0808 number is available during business hours Monday through Friday but the support is tailored to that person's need so if that person for whatever their circumstances needs that support to be after 5: or on the weekends then their Employment Specialist will work around their schedule to make sure that you know we can meet their needs when they need it.

Like you say it could be somebody who's fallen on a hard time being ill or another reason so that's not to say that they don't already have an amazing colourful previous work history are there certain areas that you specialise in getting people to work in or is the door open for any career for them.

The door is really open to any career for them and we do something called vocational profiling and what that is you know you get to know the person and find out what their hobbies are what their desires are what they're interested in because it's just like you and I if you can find a job that you enjoy to get up to and go to in the morning you're much more likely to want to stay in that job and do really really well at it so what we do is we identify people's interests and what they want to do and then we help them find a career it's anybody can get a job but finding a career and something that you really want to do that's where the magic happens really.

And how rewarding is it for you dear to be involved in this programme.

Yeah I love it absolutely love it just to see the impact that it has on people and it's not just about the

person that you help it's seeing their families and the impact that it has on families seeing the impact it has on the local community I mean good work is good for your health so it's just got such a knock on effect when you can help somebody find something that they really want to do and that they enjoy and help give them more purpose in life.

As somebody who works in this sector when you hear things in the press or people in government talking about people that are out of work they're unemployed and it's because they're mentally ill or they're disabled or it's another reason sometimes they get labelled as lazy and all of that how does that kind of thing make you feel when you work with people that do have difficulties but they do want to work.

You know what it for me it lights a fire in my belly because it's the complete opposite of that it you know people that are off work because of a health condition can actually become some of the most talented people within an organisation because they give loyalty okay, so someone with a health condition who's given the right reasonable adjustments to really thrive in that job if an employer does that for them they're going to be loyal and a degree of loyalty that you just can't buy so for me it motivates me and it motivates all of our staff and all of our teams to say you know everybody deserves the right to get meaningful employment and sometimes they just need that little extra help sometimes we need to believe in people before they can believe in themselves.

Oh what a lovely way to put it you've got an event today as well haven't you tell us about that.

Yeah so we're celebrating the sort of the last two years of this service at Rotherham football stadium and it's going to be people that have gone through the programme talking about the impact it's had on their lives and the impact it's had on their families we've got family members coming along to talk about what it's been like so yeah it's really exciting because it's really hard work you know our staff the Working Win staff that delivered this service it can be really challenging so this is one of those events where can come along and really hear the impact that you have on people and it it justifies the means really and the hard work that they do.