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Nick's on the road for a full-time job

SHELTERED workshops for people with disability are soon becoming a thing of the past - as NOVA Employment builds a more inclusive workforce in our community - in 100 days.

At the close of their St George '100 jobs in 100 days' campaign - aimed at bringing awareness to the abilities of people living with disability, NOVA secured 62 bona fide jobs.

Nicholas Cross is a 22-year-old truck driver who loves his job driving and installing commercial filters with Air and Odour Management Australia, Kogarah.

For as long as he can remember, Nick (as he prefers to be called) has dreamed of owning his own truck and being on the road.

When AOM Australia's managing director, Sven Bolomey hired Nick, despite his autism, he enabled that dream to become a reality.

"Nick is doing really well in the workplace," said Sven, who hired Nick in early February, at the beginning of the campaign.



KEEP ON TRUCKING: Nicholas Cross loves his job driving and installing commercial filters which was secured through Nova's '100 jobs in 100 days' campaign.

"There's been a few bumps in the road but our team have been really supportive of Nick."

AOM Australia, which provides exhaust and filtration products and services, recognised Nick's potential and saw the benefits of building an inclusive workforce.

Nick's not the first employee AOM has hired through NOVA.

"As it turns out Nick works side by side with another, previously hired, NOVA client who mentors and coaches him on the job," Sven said.

"This has proven to be a good partnership."