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Dear Partner,

Welcome to the "South Bay Workforce Newsletter," the electronic newsletter of the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB).

This information-packed eNewsletter will bring you up to date on happenings within our organization, including upcoming events, encouraging stories of success and achievements throughout the South Bay Area.

We invite you to visit any one of our social media outlets or websites (see below) for additional information and resources.

Please take notice of Centinela Valley Union High School District's (CVUHSD) Community Partner Breakfast and Academy Expo on September 18th at Lawndale High School Cafeteria, we look forward to seeing you there. Details found below.

Please also save the date for our Annual Alumni Awards Ceremony coming up on Thursday, November 1st. Your generous support of this event helps to fund our youth programs throughout the year.

Sincerely,

Jan Vogel Executive Director SBWIB

September 18: CVUHSD's Community Partner Breakfast and Academy Expo

Join the CVUHSD in the annual Community Partner Breakfast and Academy Expo that recognizes business partners and further expands opportunities and connections for it's 10 Career Academies. RSVP online by September 13th: www.cvuhsd-cpb.eventbrite.com

Time: 8:30 am - 10:00 am

Location:Lawndale High School Cafeteria

14901 South Inglewood Ave. Lawndale, CA 90260

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SBWIB's 23rd Annual Alumni Awards Ceremony



Join the SBWIB and South Bay business partners to congratulate and award participants who have successfully made it through various SBWIB programs, got training and found employment; also, to acknowledge and thank our many partners and community stakeholders.

Proceeds for this event support our youth programs and teen centers.

Date: Thursday, November 1st, 2018

Location: Torrance Marriott

3635 Fashion Way, Torrance, CA 90503

Purchase a ticket here

SUCCESS STORIES

El Segundo resident, Robert S. Smith visited South Bay Business and Career Centers-Inglewood, a few weeks after receiving his separation orders from the United States Army. Retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel after 31 years of service and despite his extensive military career and leadership capabilities, he was unaware of the various resources available to him during his transition into the civilian workforce. Understanding his military rank was a major component of developing the most effective career pathway strategies for him. Because of the tremendous amount of responsibility attached to his rank, candidates receive promotions to these positions based on their level of experience and the leadership qualities they've displayed during their careers.

Considering his imminent separation from the Army in the upcoming months, the immediate goal was to establish the most effective way to



match his military skills, education, and experience to meaningful civilian occupations. Upon his enrollment into the **Dislocated Worker Program** under the 25% Special Assistance grant he began working with his case manager through a comprehensive assessment of education, skills, military experience and abilities that would lead to successfully developing an individual employment plan. Mr. Smith decided to pursue a Project Management Professional Certification at Career Development Solutions. This advanced, project oriented program includes a Project Management Profession PMI approved course along with training for a Six Sigma Lean Black Belt designed for professionals with five or more years of experience as a project manager. Mr. Smith's respected military career and leadership capabilities made him an ideal candidate for this WIOA funded Occupational Skills Certificate. He successfully

completed his certification prior to his retirement from the Army.

"The best advice for transitioning personnel is networking, networking, networking unfortunately bidn't have that luxury and it affected me greatly, but will state that you guys put your best foot forward and kept me informed of all available opportunities"

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Frank G. Martin, was living in a transitional housing program with low income, he was referred to South Bay Business and Career Centers - Inglewood by his Parole agent for employment and training services. Since his release in 2016, after serving a 20-year sentence, Mr. Martin has struggled with long periods of unemployment due to his limited work experience.

Mr. Martin attended an orientation where he disclosed having served in the United States

Navy prior to his incarceration. Mr. Martin was deemed eligible and subsequently enrolled in the WIOA adult program, co enrolled in the Veterans Employment-Related Assistance Program (VEAP) and in the Reentry program with Friends Outside Los Angeles.

Mr. Martin was immediately referred to AJCC co-located staff – EDD Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program (DVOP) specialist to maximize his employment goals. Mr. Martin decided to pursue VEAP funded occupational skills training at RWM Fiber Optics in Carson where he began his Fiber Optics Broadband Technician program.

He successfully completed his training program in March 2018, obtained industry recognized certifications, and successfully secured full-time employment with El Segundo based, Outsource Inc. as a Fiber Node Technician. In less than a year following his program enrollment, Mr. Martin has made a successful reentry into the community. He is now gainfully employed, and intends to pursue additional career advancement opportunities within the Construction and Utilities sector.

"I am grateful for the opportunities ahead of me thanks to the One Stop and all the wonderful help they have provided me along the way."

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Aamir Ali, graduated high school in Detroit Michigan, the state was going through an economic decline. Beina a recent school graduate with employment no background made finding employment hard for Aamir. He reached out to a distant relative in Inglewood, California to seek employment. Aamir said. "I arrived at LAX Airport with\$80.00, one suitcase and ready for a new journey in life." He had to give a portion for rent. Aamir went to 50 companies to fill out applications. but had no resume because he did not know what it was. He landed a job at a restaurant and benefited from free meals. By his third month, he was able to purchase a used car for



\$300.00. The car kept breaking down and needed several repairs. It made him late for work causing Aamir to be from his job. In addition, he was left without a home terminated because he could no longer pay rent. He started making poor decisions and got into trouble with the law.

Aamir came across the One - Stop Business and Career Center in Inglewood and decided to check out what they had to offer. He was directed to the Youth Program, got temporary housing assistance and enrolled in the Blueprint for Workplace Success Workshop where he learned interviewing skills and how to complete a resume. He was

enrolled into a Paid Work Experience (PWE) program in order to strengthen his resume.

Aamir was placed at the Youth Program in the One-Stop Center then later placed at City Hall in Inglewood where he acquired more skills working at the City Attorney's office. He did very well while working for the attorney and was hired by the city full-time.

"I am now a City employee working in the City Attorney's office; I now have a career not a job. The One-Stop in Inglewood has changed my life into being a positive person and being happy with who I am now."

IN THE NEWS





The third class of formerly incarcerated adults were recognized during ceremonies marking their araduation from the South Bav Workforce Board's Investment (SBWIB) week-long Career Pathways 180 Job Preparation Academy in cooperation with the Los Angeles Central Parole District and California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. The event was presented at the Inglewood One-Stop Business & Career Center.

The academy consisted of four days intensive pre-employment instruction utiliz-ing Blueprint the Workplace Success curriculum with an emphasis on overcoming their barriers in preparation for interviews. The final day culminated with the graduation ceremony and a job fair.

Read full press release here

Watch Hawthorne Community
Television Coverage here

SBWIB Awarded Nearly \$132,000 by the California Employment Training Panel to Fund Employee Training

The California Employment Training Panel (ETP) has awarded a \$131,536 grant to the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) to establish a program that will help subsidize job skills training for eligible small and larger manufacturers primarily in the aerospace sector. ETP is a business and labor-supported state agency that funds the costs of job skills training. The new funding will support employee training at multiple employers in the region through the SBWIB.

Read full press release here

Flyer on ETP Program

Putting Local People to Work in Local Projects Spotlight on SBWIB and One-Stop Business & Career Center

Mr. Vogel and his team have been on the front lines of workforce development and retention in the South Bay for over 30 years. Listen to Jan Vogel discuss the services and accomplishments made through the SBW IB.

Read the full story and watch video here



South Bay Workforce Investment Board and Northrop Grumman Corporation Celebrate Aero-Flex Pre-Apprenticeship Engineering Graduates



The SBWIB. it's Aero-Flex Pre-Apprenticeship partners and Northrop Grumman Corporation congratulated students from Northrop Grumman's Spring 2018 School Involvement High Partnership (HIP) program. Twenty of HIP students also the participated in the Aero-Flex Pre-Apprenticeship (AFPA) Engineering program and received a stipend check of \$500.

Northrop Grumman has been a

leading partner of the SBWIB Aero-Flex Pre-Apprenticeship since inception, "We are grateful to Northrop" stated Jan Vogel, SBWIB's Executive Director. "In partnership with Northrop, we started the Aero-Flex Engineering program; and because of the success we had last year and this year with Northrop and other employers, we were approved by the U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL) Office of Apprenticeship to be designated as the first ever registered Aerospace Engineering Apprenticeship program" added Mr. Vogel.

Read full press release here

L.A. County Employers: Don't Miss this Opportunity to Enroll Your Nursing Staff in a RN Peri-Operative Course

The Hospital Association of Southern California (HASC) announced that Azusa Pacific University (APU) is offering a peri-operative RN specialty course this fall. The APU RN Specialty training course is available for Los Angeles County hospitals to prepare experienced RNs transferring to a new position in peri-operative nursing at their hospital.

The funding has been made available to HASC by the **South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB)** and the Los Angeles Basin Region's Workforce Development Boards to pilot this collaborative model between Los Angeles hospitals and nursing schools.

WIB-funded training seats are available and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis according to dates of hospital management written approval and student application.

For more information, or to request an application, please contact Cathy McPhee at cmcphee@apu.edu or (714) 335-0556.

For additional information, please contact Lisa Mitchell, HASC workforce development program manager (below) or Mary Lynne Knighten, Health**Impact** project director at Knightenmarylynne@hotmail.com_or (310) 386-1539.

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SBWIB's Teen Center Youth Participate in "A Day in the Life of a College Student" Tour at CSUDH

Fifteen South Bay Area 8th graders participated in the 5th Annual "A Day in the Life of a College Student," The field trip consisted of a guided tour through campus, informational workshops, and an overnight stay at California State University, Dominguez Hills (CSUDH).



Students started their college experience at the Hawthorne

Teen Center as they engaged in dialogue and got to meet one another before taking a bus to CSUDH. Students attended an admission workshop, a Financial Aid Info session (FAFSA), an alumnus led campus tour, introduction to Greek/club life at the campus and an overnight stay in the dorms.

This event was made possible by the Hawthorne and Inglewood Teen Centers, administered by the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) through its One-Stop Centers and with the partnership of CSUDH.

Read full press release here

View Hawthorne Press Tribune here

Hawthorne Teen Center Youth and Police Team Dialogue



Hawthorne Teen Center's leadership group - youth commissioners, invited police officers for a dialogue to talk about issues that are taking place in the community and other issues youth wanted to talk about.

Youth prepared questions for the police officers. Police officers commented on the importance of establishing a relationship with youth in the local community.

This is the third year the police team and youth dialogue at the Hawthorne Teen Center.

Watch Hawthorne Community Television Coverage here

WHAT'S NEW

Veteran Employees at No Cost to Your Company for Up to 6 Months - DoD SkillBridge Program

New program at the Los Angeles Air Force Base allows your company to bring on a veteran and provide them with on-the-job training at a civilian work site, as they transition out of the military. While working at your company, the entire cost of the military professional's salary is paid for by the government, allowing them to work at no cost to you. Service members must be within 6 months of being discharged.

Contact Chris Cagle at 310-970-7700; ccagle@sbwib.org for more information.





On-going job openings for youth in the South Bay, ages 16 and older. Connect eligible youth to the bi-monthly list below for job opportunities.

Download youth job listing here

Visit SouthBayYouth.org here

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to the L3 Communication Aero-Flex Graduates!



Visit <u>www.sbwib.org/aero-flex</u> for more information on the Aero-Flex program

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 11: SBWIB Local & Regional Plans

At this meeting the SBWIB will discuss services provided to those with disabilities. Your participation and input will contribute to developing a plan that will be used to guide the SBWIB in it's delivery of those services.

Time: 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Location: South Bay Workforce Investment Board Conference Room

11539 Hawthorne Blvd., 5th Floor Hawthorne, CA 90250

Download flyer here

September 20: 2018 Bioscience Summit Los Angeles

Please join us for an in-depth discussion with industry experts, practitioners, and academic leaders on how this important industry sector can continue to grow and realize its full potential. Click here for FREE registration:

http://economicdevelopment.lacounty.gov/bioscience-summit/

Time: 8:00 am - 1:30 pm

Location: Loyola Marymount University - Life Sciences Building, Auditorium

1945 Ignation Cir. Los Angeles, CA 90045

October 9: SoCal Aerospace - Aligning the Workforce Supply & Demand Systems

The LAEDC, SBWIB / Aero-Flex, and the Center for Competitive Workforce (CCW) are co-hosting a meeting to discuss how we can improve the alignment of the workforce demand and supply systems. With mutual understanding of the structural roadblocks to accessing talent locally, we can improve the talent pipeline of highly skilled individuals to meet the industry's workforce needs.

Time: 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Location: El Camino College - Distance Education Center, Library Rm. 166

16007 Crenshaw Blvd., Torrance, CA 90506

October 11: Inglewood Teen Center 5th Year Anniversary

You are cordially invited to celebrate the 5th Anniversary of Inglewood Teen Center.

Time: 3:30 pm

Location: Inglewood Teen Center

101 W. Manchester Ave. Inglewood, CA 90301

Download flyer here

November 8: The 21st Century Workforce - Strategies for managing and growing businesses

Time: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm (light breakfast and lunch provided)

Location: Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Torrance 21333 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance, CA 90503

CONNECT WITH US

For the latest information and events taking place in the South Bay Area, be sure to check us out on social media at the following outlets:

LinkedIn: (South Bay 1-Stop), (South Bay Workforce Investment Board)

Twitter: (@SouthBayWIB, @SouthBayJobsCA)

Facebook: (South Bay Workforce Investment Board - SBWIB, South Bay Jobs, Gardena One-Stop), Hawthorne Teen Center, Inglewood Teen Center

Pinterest: (SouthBayWIB), Hawthorne Teen Center

Instagram: (SouthBayWIB), Inglewood Teen Center, Hawthorne Teen

<u>Center</u>

YouTube: (South Bay Workforce Investment Board)

For more information and resources, be sure to visit

SBWIB.org

SouthBay1Stop.org

SouthBayBusiness.org

SouthBayYouth.org

SouthBayJobs.org

<u>iCareInglewood.com</u>

CYS-la.org

Hawthorne Teen Center

Inglewood Teen Center

Visit **SouthBayJobs.org** for job posts and employment fairs



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