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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 virtual events, encouraging stories of success and achievements throughout the South Bay area. Additionally, this edition features our 25th Annual Awards Ceremony.



We would also like to invite you to participate in our strategic planning meetings to update our 2021-2024 local plan to ensure our services are responding to the needs of the community. More information on dates and topics are available by viewing the flyer [here](#). Please RSVP [here](#).

We encourage you to visit our social media outlets, which may be found below, for additional resources.

Wishing you a safe and happy holiday season!

Sincerely,

Jan Vogel
Executive Director
SBWIB

State of California Names the South Bay Workforce Investment Board as One of the Highest Performing Workforce Investment Boards Statewide



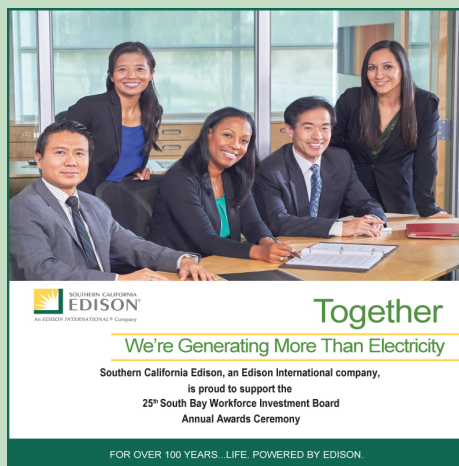
The South Bay Workforce Board has once again been recognized by the California Workforce Development Board (CWDB) as one of the highest performing workforce investment boards in the state.

The announcement this month in Sacramento follows an extensive review of the SBWIB's participant placement performance and compliance with guidelines that cover the adoption of a five-year Local Plan, which among other things, integrates local business development with workforce initiatives.

"It is indeed gratifying to receive this high honor from the State Board and it reflects the professionalism and dedication of not only our staff, but also the volunteer board members who establish the policies we operate under while monitoring our progress year round," said Jan Vogel, SBWIB Executive Director.

[Read the full press here](#)

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SUCCESS STORY

Meet Darrell Ray Edwards

Darrell Ray Edwards, who was living in a transitional housing program was referred to our South Bay One-Stop Business & Career Centers by his Parole agent shortly after his release from State prison serving a nearly 30-year life sentence. He had limited work history and also faced challenges with his use and understanding of technology.

Prior to his incarceration, Darrell served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Vietnam era, which made him eligible for specialized services for Veterans including housing, healthcare, disability benefits and supportive services. He also received assistance in the areas of email use, resume preparation, accessing online applications, financial literacy, and various other valuable resources.

Darrell began a subsidized Paid Work Experience program as an industrial mechanic trainee with a Gardena based vitamin packaging company. While in custody of the State, Darrell obtained experience working with industrial machines and performing general maintenance duties, making him an ideal candidate for this position. Upon completing his work experience, Darrell successfully secured a permanent position with the same company. He is grateful for the services received and is diligently working and saving to get a car and an apartment.

"I am grateful for the services received from staff, I now have two primary objectives and I'm diligently working and saving to get a car and an apartment."



SUCCESS STORY

Meet Isabel Aguallo

Isabel Aguallo, a youth participant and CalWORKs recipient from Carson, was referred to our One Stop Center for job search assistance. She was seeking employment to assist her grandmother financially, who was raising her alone. Isabel was enrolled into the "Fit for Gold" Program where she was introduced to various workshops including resume assistance, job shadowing, company tours and career fairs.

She received leadership and mentor coaching, life skills guidance, financial literacy, financial aid training, college bound seminars and tutoring assistance. She successfully completed both Blueprint I and Blueprint II work readiness training and was awarded a Gold Level Certification. She completed 120 hours of paid work experience where she exercised the leadership skills she had recently learned to mentor youth in her community at Carson Park. Isabel has successfully graduated from high school with a 4.09 GPA and will be attending California State University, Fullerton.



"The Carson one stop career center helped me gain worked experience and taught me to be on time. The staff welcomed me and explained everything I needed to know to get started which made me feel part of the community."



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SUCCESS STORY

Meet Larry Miranda

Larry Miranda Jr, a low-income individual on Parole, living in a transitional housing program was referred to our South Bay Business & Career Centers by his Parole. Mr. Miranda was enrolled in the Prison to Employment program to access specialized services in preparation for his transition and reintegration into the workforce.

Due to his limited work experience following a 20-year life sentence he was immediately guided to develop a career pathway plan to reach his desired employment objectives. Shortly after his enrollment and in response to the growing demand for truck drivers during the pandemic, Mr. Miranda was quickly enrolled and scheduled to begin a Commercial Truck Driving Certificate program with

partner training provider, Career Expansion. Despite challenges associated with the pandemic and limited services from the DMV, Mr. Miranda successfully completed the classroom component of the program and obtained his Class A Commercial Truck Driving License.

Utilizing an Earn-and-Learn model under the Prison to Employment program, Mr. Miranda was selected for an assistant instructor position with an intent to hire upon completion of his 300 hours. Participation in a wage-based learning activity will grant him the opportunity to earn wages, utilize his recently obtained industry knowledge, and gain valuable professional skills to train others in this growing industry. Less than one year from his release from a state facility, his goals changed to now include becoming a Truck Driving Instructor, helping others find meaningful career paths and making a successful reintegration into the community.

"Sometimes life will put you in the direction you least expect. With this second chance at life and freedom, I carry with me the consequences of my past, which motivate me to be grateful and always steer myself in the right direction"



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South Bay city halls, along with other local and regional agencies, will now benefit from high-speed, low-cost broadband connectivity that provides the critical infrastructure to facilitate "smart city" applications.

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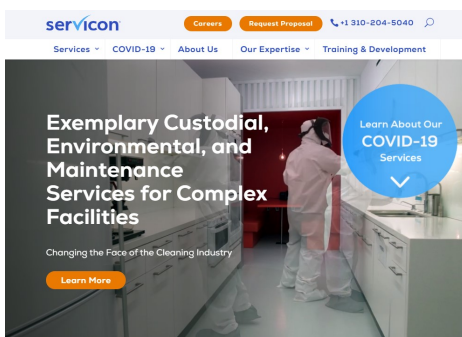
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SUCCESS STORY

Meet Kathy Kirk



Kathy Kirk, a Redondo Beach resident, was a Sr. Director/ Managing Principal when her business unit was disbanded and her position eliminated. She sought unemployment services through EDD and was referred to one of our South Bay One-Stop Business & Career Centers for further assistance.

Kathy was assigned a career counselor who provided career transition support, resources for preparing her resume, job search assistance and

no cost training for obtaining a certification as a Project Management Professional and Certified Agile PMO through the University of La Verne. Our center also provided her with opportunities at career networking events, such as Career BridgeBuilders Coaching and networking groups held at American Marty's Church in Manhattan Beach.

Kathy accepted a position as a Principal Solution Architect (Client Advisor) and is currently partnering with executives in the retail and fashion industry to navigate through the current business challenges, preserve working capital and embarking on accelerated digital transformations.

"South Bay One-Stop offers great programs, services and support for anyone undergoing career transition, regardless of your job type, skill/ experience level or background. The staff is knowledgeable, very helpful and provide useful insight. I would encourage anyone to take advantage of their services."

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- Job fairs - currently held virtually to assist job seekers find employment and businesses find qualified employees.
- SBWIB's Aero-Flex and Bio-Flex Pre-Apprenticeship & Apprenticeship Programs - provide industry experience for apprentices in the fields of

aerospace and bioscience.

- Teen Centers - offer teens in the South Bay academic assistance, including tutoring and college preparation, school support, teen games and a guided entrepreneurial curriculum through 'We Thrive.'
- Fit for Gold Tutoring & Fitness Academy - an after school program for high school seniors to provide homework assistance, nutrition information and mentoring.
- Career Pathways 180 Program - this job preparation academy in cooperation with the Los Angeles Central Parole District and CA Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation offers formerly incarcerated adults a second chance.

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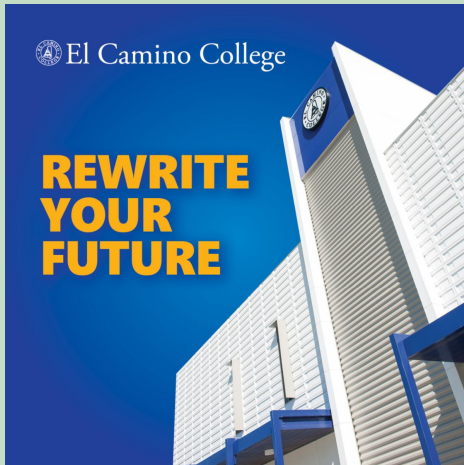
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SBWIB 25th Annual Awards Ceremony



25th Annual Awards Virtual Ceremony

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Thank you all for joining us to virtually congratulate and acknowledge participants who have successfully made it through various SBWIB programs, received training and found employment; also to thank our many partners and community stakeholders.

Proceeds from donations support our youth programs and teen centers. Throughout this newsletter we acknowledged our Sponsors, click on the image to view their ad.

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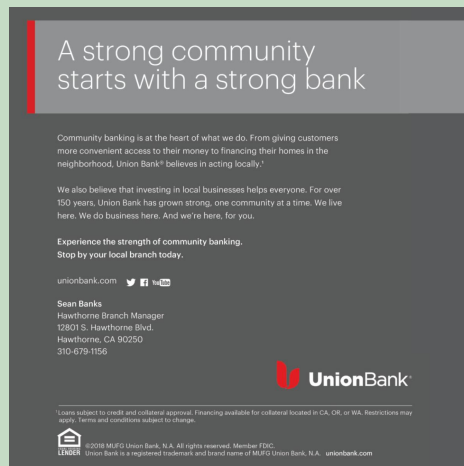
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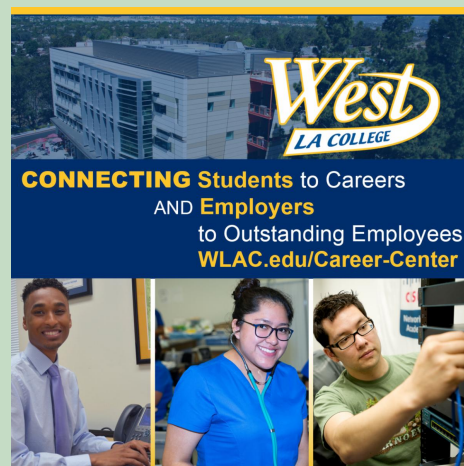
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