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**Disability Program Navigator at South Bay Business and Career Center – Inglewood, Rebeca Aguirre Receives EmployABILITY Partnership Award.**

Rebeca Aguirre, Disability Program Navigator for South Bay Business And Career Center – Inglewood was honored by the City of Los Angeles at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual EmployABILITY Partnership Awards Reception held at the California Endowment Center for Healthy Communities – in Los Angeles, Ca.

EmployABILITY Partnership is a collaboration of service professional and agency partners working together through the One-Stop System to help people with disabilities find jobs and build careers, and also to dispel the myths and stereotypes associated with employment and disability. The EmployABILITY Partnership Award sponsored by the City of Los Angeles is presented to individuals, nominated and selected by the agencies that provide career empowerment to individuals with disabilities.

Employed with the South Bay One-Stop Business and Careers Center since October 2003, Rebeca's primary responsibility has been to create meaningful systemic change in how the One-Stop System serves customers with disabilities. At the EmployABILITY Partnership Award Ceremony, Rebeca was recognized for her unfaltering passion and dedication for advocacy and employment rights of people with disabilities. Lisa Jordan, President of Human Solutions LLC, presented Rebeca a proclamation as one of the partnership's distinguished partners of the year.

Receiving the award, Rebeca stated, I am very honored by this recognition and I could never do the thing I do without the encouragement and support of my co-workers, superiors and fellow Disability Program Navigators. I see myself as a role model, a mentor and a passionate advocate for persons with disabilities in the employment development field; always seeking to better the delivery of services for these and all populations.

Rebeca actively works to build and develop on-going partnership to expand the availability of services to customers with disabilities. She participates in a variety of committees, including the South Bay Workforce Investment Board Business Resources Network and the EmployABILITY Partnership of the City of Los Angeles.