

South Bay Workforce Investment Board

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SBWIB Celebrates 12th Anniversary of Inglewood Teen Center with Aloha-Themed Event and Announces Temporary Relocation

HAWTHORNE, CA – The South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) celebrated a milestone this month, marking the 12th anniversary of the Inglewood Teen Center with an Aloha-themed ceremony that brought together community leaders, youth, and families. The event also served to announce the center's upcoming temporary relocation to Morningside High School, as the Inglewood Public Library—its current host—prepares for a two-year renovation.

More than 70 attendees joined in the celebration, including Inglewood Mayor James T. Butts, Jr., Field Representative Hayley Hutt on behalf of Assemblymember Tina McKinnor, Dr. James Morris of the Inglewood Unified School District, SBWIB Board Chair Glenn Mitchell, and Employment Development Department (EDD) representatives Giovanny Segura and Ernesto Ochoa. The celebration featured a performance by the Morningside High School Band Strings Ensemble, adding a special musical touch to the occasion and culminating into an annual ping pong tournament.

Mayor Butts reflected on the Teen Center's profound impact, calling it "the first major youth-focused initiative undertaken by the City of Inglewood," and praised the long-standing partnership with the SBWIB. Assemblymember McKinnor issued a Certificate of Recognition acknowledging the center's "outstanding commitment and dedication to youth and their families," presented by Ms. Hutt during the event.

The celebration also honored three exceptional student volunteers:

- Victor Sanchez Best Attendance Award
- Skie Daniels Rising Star Award
- Jaylin Woolfolk Teen Center Ambassador Award

Each student received a Certificate of Recognition, a voucher for LA Galaxy tickets from SBWIB, and a special commendation from Assemblymember McKinnor.

SBWIB Executive Director Jan Vogel applauded the dedication of the Teen Center staff and assured families that services would continue uninterrupted during the relocation. "Thanks to the support of Dr. Morris and the Inglewood Unified School District, the Teen Center will continue to thrive and serve the community from its temporary home at Morningside High School," said Vogel. "And when the library reopens, we'll return to a bigger and more modern facility."

About the Inglewood Teen Center

The Inglewood Teen Center provides free after-school programs and enrichment activities for local youth aged 13–17. Its programs focus on academic support, college readiness, leadership development, and recreational engagement.

Current Location (through Summer 2025):

101 W. Manchester Blvd. Inglewood, CA 90301

(310) 680–3701

Hours of Operation:

Monday—Thursday, 3:00—6:00 PM (Some evening and weekend events scheduled)

Free Services Include:

- Tutoring and homework assistance
- College preparation workshops
- Leadership training
- Internet and computer access
- Arts & crafts, games, and field trips
- Community service projects

For more information or to enroll, visit www.SBWIB.org or contact the center directly.

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