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Sixteen Young Adults Graduate and Gain Their High School Diplomas Through South Bay Workforce Investment Board's Second Chance YouthBuild Program

HAWTHORNE - Sixteen young adults were honored for earning their high school diplomas during a graduation ceremony conducted by the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) YouthBuild Program at the Hawthorne Memorial Center June 21st. The YouthBuild Program enables youth ages 16-24 who didn't finish high school to have a second chance and earn their high school diploma or G.E.D. and gain occupational skills training in construction as well as leadership development.

The graduates received personal laptop computers provided by YouthBuild Charter School and Assemblymember Tina McKinnor in cooperation with Southern California Edison. SBWIB Executive Director Jan Vogel provided the opening remarks at the graduation and praised the students for their perseverance in achieving their goals. He also thanked their family members and friends who were in attendance that supported them along the way and acknowledged the YouthBuild Charter School faculty members and SBWIB staff who make the program possible.

The graduates also received congratulatory certificates from South Bay area California State Assembly and State Senate members, as well as from LA County Supervisor Holly Mitchell and Congresswoman Maxine Waters.

The SBWIB had been a partner with the program's founding organization for more than 30 years before merging it into the Youth Services offerings of the SBWIB in the Fall of 2018. The YouthBuild Program is made possible through a grant provided by the U.S. Department of Labor.

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Photo caption: YouthBuild graduates receive personal laptop computers provided by YouthBuild Charter School and Assemblymember Tina McKinnor in cooperation with Southern California Edison before graduation on June 21st.



Photo caption: Sixteen young adults graduate and gain their high school diplomas through South Bay Workforce Investment Board's Second Chance YouthBuild program at the Hawthorne Memorial Center on June 21st.



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