



**PRESS RELEASE**

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**South Bay Workforce Investment Board Hosts 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Job Shadow Day in Partnership with Inglewood Airport Area Chamber of Commerce**

**HAWTHORNE** – Over 100 students from six area high schools participated in the 38th Annual Job Shadow Day, hosted by the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) in partnership with the Chamber’s Education Committee, Inglewood Airport Area Chamber of Commerce, Inglewood Unified School District (IUSD), local high schools and business members from the community on February 28th, 2019.

Job Shadow Day has given youth, “the opportunity to see what they want to be in the world,” stated Dr. Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana, State Trustee, IUSD, who congratulated students for taking the first steps into their future the morning of Job Shadow Day at Inglewood High School.

Students were also welcomed by ; Councilmember Alex Padilla; Jan Vogel, Executive Director, SBWIB; Inglewood Chamber of Commerce President Erick Holly, Tracey Shield-Johnson, Inglewood Education Committee Chair and Dexter Hall, Inglewood Education Committee Vice Chair. Mr. Vogel expressed to the students, “job shadow day is great, you learn so much, but you only learn as much as you’re willing to participate,” encouraging them to ask questions.

Junior high school student, Lesly Martinez, shared her experience in shadowing in the accounting department, “accounting isn’t a one-person job, but a chain of people working together.” Students present were from City Honors, Inglewood High School, Morningside, Animo Inglewood Charter High School, Lennox Math & Science Academy and St. Mary’s. Among the 25 companies that participated were; City of Inglewood, 102.3 KJLH, Claris Health, Employment Development Department, Kaiser Permanente, Petco, SBWIB, Turner Hunt Construction, Crown Plaza, Inglewood Mortuary and New Image Dental.

The SBWIB operates four One Stop Business & Career Centers within its South Bay service area plus two Teen Centers in Inglewood and Hawthorne providing no cost adult, youth and business services. For further information, telephone 310-970-7700 or visit sbwib.org.

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