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**Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy from U.S. Department of Labor Visits
South Bay Workforce Investment Board for Briefing
on Veterans Employment and Training Services**

HAWTHORNE – Matthew Miller, Deputy Assistant Secretary (DAS) for Policy/Veterans Employment and Training Services at the U.S. Department of Labor, was a recent visitor to the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) where he was briefed on the programs the SBWIB and its partnering agencies are providing for veterans including employment and training services. DAS Miller was accompanied by Tony Forbes, U.S. Department of Labor Office of Strategic Outreach for Veterans Employment and Training Services.

SBWIB Executive Director Jan Vogel welcomed the visitors to the Inglewood One-Stop Business and Career Center and provided an overview of how the SBWIB is assisting target groups including recently separated veterans, post 9/11 veterans, homeless veterans, female veterans, spouses of active duty service members underemployed veterans, special disabled veterans and formerly incarcerated veterans.

Also in attendance were representatives from the strategic partners that work with the SBWIB in the areas of housing, mental health services, training providers, employers, Veterans Administration, and the California Economic Development Department.

The Labor officials were then given a tour of the National Football League football stadium in Inglewood where they met with some of the former veterans that had been hired by contractors after going through the SBWIB's Career-Pathway-oriented program that enables veterans to earn industry-recognized credentials and to attain marketable skills as they seek work in growing career fields.

The SBWIB operates four One-Stop Business & Career Centers that provide no cost services to large and small businesses along with job search and career preparation for adults and youth in the communities of Carson, Inglewood, Hawthorne, Torrance, Lomita, Gardena, Redondo Beach, Lawndale, Hermosa Beach, El Segundo and Manhattan Beach. SBWIB also operates two Teen Center in Inglewood and Hawthorne.

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Department of Labor Visitors Photo Caption



U.S. Department of Labor Deputy Assistant Secretary Matthew Miller (second from right) thanks staff members at the South Bay Workforce Investment Board’s One-Stop Business & Career Center Inglewood for their successful efforts in helping veterans find jobs and career training. DAS Miller traveled to California recently to learn more about the SBWIB’s employment and training program which he termed should be a model for other states to follow.

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