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South Bay Workforce Investment Board Partners with Inglewood Airport Area Chamber of Commerce to Present the 37th Annual Job Shadow Day

INGLEWOOD – The South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) in partnership with the Inglewood Airport Area Chamber of Commerce (IAACC), Inglewood Unified School District (IUSD), local high schools and business members presented this year’s 37th Annual Job Shadow Day at Inglewood High School on February 22nd, 2018.

Over 100 students from City Honors, Inglewood High School, Morningside, Animo Inglewood Charter High School, Lennox Academy, and St. Mary’s participated in the event. Students started their morning at Inglewood High School by hearing the motivational speeches from five guest speakers: SBWIB’s Executive Director, Jan Vogel; Inglewood Mayor James T. Butts Jr.; Councilman Alex Padilla; IUSD Superintendent, Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana and Executive Vice President of IAACC, Samuel Peña.

Mayor James T. Butts Jr. shared his experience, goals growing up and words of encouragement, “When you focus on work, you focus harder on school to prepare yourself for what your life is going to be, we want to give you all the opportunity that other kids never had when they became of age.”

IUSD State Trustee, Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana expressed to students, “You’re ready, you’re going to do a great job today, you’re representing your school, but more importantly you’re representing yourself and your dream.”

The event offered students the opportunity to learn about different fields, ask questions and hear experiences from professionals they shadowed. Among the twenty-five companies that participated were; City of Inglewood, 102.3 KJLH, Claris Health, EDD, Kaiser Permanente, Petco, Salvation Army, SBWIB, U.S. Army and more.

Students expressed learning about new job opportunities. “I loved it and I’m going to spread the word about this business,” stated Lois, senior from City Honors.

The SBWIB operates four One Stop Business & Career Centers within the South Bay service area plus two Teen Centers in Inglewood and Hawthorne. All employment services provided are offered at no cost to the public. For further information, call 310-970-7700 or go to SBWIB.org.

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Photo Caption: SBWIB Executive Director, Jan Vogel; Councilman Alex Padilla and Mayor James T. Butts Jr. welcomed over 100 students to the 37th Annual Job Shadow Day at Inglewood High School on February 22nd, 2018, presented by the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) in partnership with the Inglewood Airport Area Chamber of Commerce (IAACC), Inglewood Unified School District (IUSD), local high schools and business members.

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