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Dear Partner,

Welcome to the "South Bay Workforce Newsletter," the electronic newsletter of the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB).

This information-packed eNewsletter will bring you up to date on happenings within our organization, including upcoming events, encouraging stories of success and achievements throughout the South Bay area.

We encourage you to visit our social media outlets, which may be found below, for additional resources.

Sincerely,

Jan Vogel  
Executive Director  
SBWIB

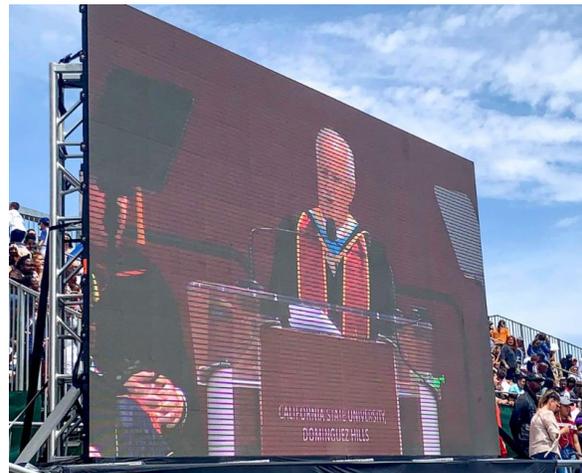
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## **Congratulations to all the Graduates!**

We congratulate all the graduates and their families during this milestone.

"Today is the culmination for each of you that had an opportunity, fortitude and guts to walk through the college door, and as a result many more doors will be unlocked for you," Jan Vogel, SBWIB's Executive Director at California State University, Dominguez Hills graduation ceremony.





## SUCCESS STORIES

Compton resident **Taneshia Hudson** and a single parent of two young children, was laid off from her job of 18 years with Sony in 2016, and struggled to find new employment.

Taneshia served as a paid part time volunteer at her church while attending Job Club classes that her Rancho Dominguez GAIN Office sent her to attend in the City of Carson.

While working with GAIN, Taneshia found out about the free services offered through the South Bay Workforce Investment Board's Carson One-Stop Business & Career Center.

She attended an orientation session. Her job developer felt she was a good candidate for a position in the **City Clerk's Office with the City of Carson** and prepared her for an interview. He also suggested she become familiar with a new software program that municipal governments are now utilizing for records management. Tanesha was selected for the temporary part-time position under the Transitional Subsidized Employment (TSE) program. As she neared the end of the TSE assignment, Tanesha was hired by the City of Carson for a part-time position of Typist Clerk II. She was later advised of another full-time position in the City of Hermosa Beach City Clerk's Office. She interviewed and was hired as a Senior Office Assistant.



Tanesha made such a positive impression with the **City of Carson**, she was asked to continue working part-time one day a week while fulfilling her duties with the **City of Hermosa Beach**.

*"I'm thankful for the job developers and counselors I worked with at GAIN and the Carson One-Stop Center for giving me the tools I needed to re-enter the workforce. I especially want to thank Michael Seale at the Carson Center who saw something in me and knew I could succeed in the Carson position."*

**Ashley Talbott** of Hermosa Beach, outreached to the South Bay Business & Career Center in Torrance for employment services. Ashley previously worked as Senior Manager with a large company. She found herself trapped in her routine, which included a two-and-a-half-hour daily commute to and from work. She knew her lack of extensive experience in digital marketing was an obstacle to pursue a higher title and salary level.



Despite initially being skeptical of seeking assistance at the One-Stop, she took the recommendation. Ashley received one-on-one coaching and discussion, resume assistance, and funding for her education; earning a certificate in Search Engine Optimization and Web Analytics.

Ashley landed a job as Director of National Sales & Marketing for the U.S. managing two brands that are sold in some of the largest retailers in the world including Walmart, Kroger, Safeway, Albertson's and more.

*"Working with the One-stop motivated me to be more excited and engaged in my search for a new career. It is a great resource for individuals of all backgrounds and salary levels. They put a lot of focus and effort into your specific needs and search. They are focused on, and passionate about delivering results. These results assist in employment, and as importantly, help find opportunities and leads that are a good fit for your needs both professionally and personally. I recommend the One-Stop to everyone that I feel could benefit from their services, including close friends and family!"*

**Jordan Paige**, an Inglewood resident and Morningside High School graduate, was seeking employment to help his mother with living expenses, his senior year expenses and to save money for college. Mr. Paige lacked job readiness skills, but he pushed himself to seek assistance through the opportunities offered at the Inglewood Youth Department. After graduating high school, he applied to college and intended to attend until he could no longer financially support that decision.



Mr. Paige had expressed interest in the architecture field and was advised to attend a workshop the Youth Department would be hosting with a guest speaker in the career of his interest. While attending, Mr. Paige made a connection that in the following weeks gave him a job;

he was the youngest in the field - Construction Management, as an intern in a managerial role with Balfour Beatty.

Mr. Page's intern assignment came to an end, but this Intern position led him to many networking events, giving him the opportunity to network and get a job as an architectural design intern. Mr. Paige is responsible for programs created to inform and assist at-risk youth with career opportunities. He is working at ZGF Architects LLP and is making \$17 /hour with benefits and working full-time.

***"I thank the Workforce for everything they've done to help me and hope they continue their outreach capabilities with more financial resources due to my personal experience."***

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## IN THE NEWS

### **SBWIB Receives Veterans Grant**



The SBWIB was awarded nearly \$500,000 to assist unemployed and underemployed veterans find rewarding civilian jobs through employment assistance programs. Funding was awarded through the Veterans' Employment Related Assistance Program (VEAP) offered by the State of California Employment Development Department under the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act.

"The grant will be utilized for vocational programming for at least 100 veterans, mostly in the fields of advanced manufacturing and construction," said Executive Director, Jan Vogel. For veteran job seekers that may not fit within the manufacturing and construction sector, the SBWIB will assist them to find jobs in other industries.

[\*\*Read full press release here\*\*](#)

[\*\*Read Daily Breeze article here\*\*](#)

## 19th Annual Blueprint for Workplace Success Youth & Young Adults Job Fair



The 19th Annual Blueprint for Workplace Success Youth & Young Adults Job Fair drew hundreds of students from high schools, colleges, charter schools and adult schools throughout the South Bay.

The job fair was hosted by the City of Carson, presented by the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) and took place at the Congresswoman Juanita Millender McDonald Community Center in Carson on May 02, 2019.

Amongst the attendees were 84 employers from private and public sectors who interviewed students; 148 students were hired on-the-spot and 211 were invited back for second interviews. It is expected many more will be hired and called in for interviews.

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## **AMETLL Consortium School Maker Faire Attracts More than 700 Participants from throughout South Bay Region**

Hawthorne High once again hosted the annual AMETLL Consortium School Maker Faire, May 4, 2019, where more than 700 high school students, educators and family members from throughout the South Bay region joined with representatives from high tech companies and technical schools to showcase advanced manufacturing techniques, robotics competitions and STEM related exhibits.



Los Angeles-based Skycam, a drone producer specializing in aerial cinematography, donated two drones to the Hawthorne High Manufacturing & Engineering Academy, and the Leuzinger High School Multimedia Career Academy.

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## **SBWIB Hosts 38th Annual Job Shadow Day in Partnership with Inglewood Airport Area Chamber of Commerce**



Over 100 students from six area high schools participated in the 38th Annual Job Shadow Day, hosted by the SBWIB in partnership with the Chamber's Education Committee, Inglewood Airport Area Chamber of Commerce, Inglewood Unified School District, local high schools and business members from the community on February 28th, 2019.

Students were welcomed and given motivational speeches from Dr.

Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana, State Trustee, IUSD; 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.

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## **SBWIB Executive Director, Jan Vogel, Guest Speaks on #NEWSBREAKLIVE for Torrance CitiCABLE**

SBWIB Executive Director, Jan Vogel, talks about the no cost services offered to adult, youth and businesses in the South Bay, highlighting the new Bio-Flex program.

The new Bio-Flex program, modeled after the Aero-Flex program, which is the first apprenticeship in the country, is an employer driven program currently recruiting pre-apprentices and businesses looking to partner.



For more information on the Bio-Flex program visit: [www.sbwib.org/bioflex](http://www.sbwib.org/bioflex).

[Watch video here](#)

[Download Bio-Flex Description flyer here](#)

## **SBWIB Partners with Centinela Valley Union High School District to Present the Second Annual Career Fair for High School Students**



Nearly 400 high school 11th and 12th graders from the Centinela Valley Union High School District were invited to participate in the second annual Career Fair presented March 27, 2019 at the Hawthorne Memorial Center. The event was the result of a collaboration between the South Bay Workforce Invest Board (SBWIB) and the school district.

Students had the opportunity to talk one-on-one with representatives of more than 25 businesses and public agencies and learn how they had gained employment in their career field and what should the students do to better prepare themselves for the work place. Three breakout sessions were conducted covering financial literacy, social media in the workplace and meeting the employers.

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### **WHAT'S NEW**

**Paid Career Prep & Work Experience Services**

Paid career preparation and work experience services available for four year college juniors, seniors, recent graduates, community college students and recent AA graduates with disabilities, seen or unseen.

Participants will obtain work readiness training, resume assistance and job placement. Plus earn over \$1,500 with up to 100 hours of paid work experience.

For more information contact Shanna Frappier at [sfrappier@sbwib.org](mailto:sfrappier@sbwib.org) or call (310) 970-7700.

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**PAID CAREER PREP + WORK EXPERIENCE**

**SKILLS  
OPPORTUNITY  
GOAL  
MENTOR  
EXPERIENCE  
TRAINING  
DEVELOPMENT  
PRACTICE**

**Earn Over \$1,500!**

**Priority services for:**

- Four year college juniors, seniors and recent college graduates
- Community college students and recent AA graduates

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Have the right to work in the U.S.
- Persons with disabilities, seen or unseen

**Program Design:**

- Paid work readiness training
- Up to 100 hours of paid work experience
- Resume assistance and job placement

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## Summer Internship Program

**For ages 14-18 years old**

**SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

**Earn Over \$2,000!**

**Priority services for:**

- Centinela Valley Academy Students

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Have the right to work in the U.S.
- Must be able to obtain a work permit, if under 18 years old

**Program Design:**

- Up to 20 hours of Paid Work Readiness Training
- Work for a variety of employers throughout Los Angeles County

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Summer internship program available for Centinela Valley Academy Students.

Students have the opportunity to work for a variety of employer throughout Los Angeles County and receive up to 20 hours of paid work readiness training.

Students must have the right to work in the U.S. and be able to obtain a work permit if under the age of 18 years old.

To register and for more information, contact the Hawthorne Teen Center at (310) 970-7002 or Shanna Frappier at (310) 970-7700 or email [sfrappier@sbwib.org](mailto:sfrappier@sbwib.org).

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## Bio- Creating Careers in Bioscience

Bio-Flex is a New Innovative Project to Develop Pre-Apprenticeship and Registered Apprenticeship Career Pathways for the Bioscience Industry in Los Angeles County.

The vision for Bio-Flex is to deliver an effective and proven employer-directed career development tool, which can be used to attract new talent to the Bioscience industry. The program will provide an important resource to

employers and increase job seekers' access to well-paid careers in this exciting industry within Los Angeles County.

Los Angeles County Supervisor Mark Ridley Thomas has funded Bio-Flex program development, while funding for participant training is being provided by Los Angeles County Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services. Program development and implementation will be coordinated through the South Bay Workforce Investment Board.

[Read article here](#)

**ATTENTION:** Bio-Science employers, your input and guidance is needed for program development.

Please connect with us: Deborah Shepard, [dshepard@sbwib.org](mailto:dshepard@sbwib.org).

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collaboration with employers and other stakeholders aims to create a flexible yet structured career pathway for high school and college level students, veterans, underserved populations, new hires, and incumbent workers who might otherwise have challenges accessing this industry. Bio-Flex will support a regional network of partners that will ensure employment opportunities in Bioscience are widely available to all.

Apprenticeship is a proven way to connect employers to a diverse future workforce. This

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[Visit the Bio-Flex website](#)

## New Programs!



New programs are being created to service you. Visit the SBWIB and South Bay One-Stop Business & Career Center's programs flyer page to locate flyers on available programs. Feel free to download and distribute as needed.

[Flyers link here](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### June 13th: L.A. County Contracting Connections

Learn about current and upcoming contracting opportunities, meet and build relationships with Los Angeles County Small Business Advocates and procurement personnel.

**Time:** 8:30 a.m - 12:00 p.m.

**Location:** Torrance Cultural Arts Center  
3330 Civic Center Drive, Torrance, CA 90503

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## **June 20th: Business Connection Reception - Early Childhood is Everyone's Business**

Attend an upcoming Business Connection Reception to meet Assemblymember Autumn Burke, mingle with other local employers, and hear how investing in children can boost your bottom line.

**Time:** 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**Location:** Los Angeles Southwest College  
1600 West Imperial Highway, Los Angeles, CA 90047

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For the latest information and events taking place in the South Bay Area, be sure to check us out on social media at the following outlets:

LinkedIn: ([South Bay 1-Stop](#)), ([South Bay Workforce Investment Board](#))

Twitter: ([@SouthBayWIB](#), [@SouthBayJobsCA](#))

Facebook: ([South Bay Workforce Investment Board - SBWIB](#), [South Bay Jobs](#), [Gardena One-Stop](#), [Hawthorne Teen Center](#), [Inglewood Teen Center](#))

Pinterest: ([SouthBayWIB](#)), [Hawthorne Teen Center](#)

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YouTube: ([South Bay Workforce Investment Board](#))

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[SouthBay1Stop.org](#)

[SouthBayBusiness.org](#)

[SouthBayYouth.org](#)

[SouthBayJobs.org](#)

[iCareInglewood.com](#)

[CYS-la.org](#)

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