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## South Bay Workforce Investment Board Hosts Open House Celebration for Newly Expanded Carson One-Stop Business & Career Center

**HAWTHORNE** – The South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) presented an open house celebration November 20<sup>th</sup>, marking the completion of its expansion of the Carson One-Stop Business & Career Center, located within the Juanita Millender Community Center complex in Carson.

Carson civic leaders and staff along with educators and community representatives were in attendance including Carson City Councilman Cedric L. Hicks, who extended official greetings and presented a certificate of recognition to SBWIB Executive Director Jan Vogel and Center manager Cheryll Cooks. State Senator Steven Bradford also presented a recognition certificate.

"When the City of Carson asked us to manage this center in 2017, we made it our priority to help Carson adult and youth job seekers to get the best training and best paying job opportunities possible," Mr. Vogel said. "More than 4,800 job seekers have been processed through the center, many of whom were placed into well-paying positions," he noted. Mr. Vogel also commended the tremendous support of the SBWIB workforce partners that include the City of Carson, California Employment Development Department, ProPath and the California Department of Rehabilitation.

The expansion doubled the size of the center and resulted in the addition of 10 computers for self-directed job search, a Partner area for one-on-one career pathway counseling and expanded space for enhanced networking and job search guidance.

The SBWIB operates four One-Stop Centers to serve residents of Inglewood, Hawthorne, El Segundo, Gardena, Carson, Manhattan Beach, Lawndale, Hermosa Beach, Torrance, Redondo Beach and Lomita. The SBWIB also operates two Teen Centers in Inglewood and Hawthorne. For further information, telephone 310-970-7700 or visit sbwib.org.

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Carson One-Stop Center photo caption



Dignitaries join with SBWIB Executive Director Jan Vogel (second from left) during ribbon cutting celebrating the expansion of the Carson One-Stop Business & Career Center, November 20<sup>th</sup>. Carson City Councilman Cedric Hicks (center) and California State University Dominguez Hills President Thomas Parham (holding scissors) also participated.

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