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## 37 parolees graduate from South Bay job preparation academy in Inglewood

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The South Bay Workforce Investment Board celebrated the graduation of its fourth class of formerly incarcerated adults



Some of the graduates of the Pathways 180 Job Preparation Academy pose with dignitaries during graduation ceremonies June 14th at the South Bay Workforce Investment Board Inglewood One-Stop Center. Congresswoman Maxine Waters (center) presented the keynote address. To her right is West Basin Municipal Water District Board Vice President and Chairperson of the Metropolitan Water District Gloria Gray, along with SBWIB Executive Director Jan Vogel, next to the Congresswoman. (Courtesy photo)

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From parolees to professionals.

The South Bay Workforce Investment Board last week held a graduation ceremony for 37 formerly incarcerated adults who completed the organization's job prep academy.

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It was the fourth graduating class for the program, formally known as the Career Pathways 180 Job Preparation Academy.

The parolees received four days of intensive pre-employment instruction through the Blueprint for Workplace Success, a 10-to-15 hour curriculum designed to help program participants gain quality customer service skills. The final day, on Friday, June 14, included the graduation and a job fair, both at the Inglewood One-Stop Business & Career Center. Employers included Terranea Resort, Buffalo Wild Wings and Los Angeles World Airports.

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