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## Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce and South Bay Workforce Investment Board Celebrate Fathers for Father's Day

**HAWTHORNE, CA** – The Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce and the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) celebrated Teen Center fathers for the first Father's Day event at the Hawthorne Teen Center on Thursday, June 13, 2019. Students invited their fathers to celebrate and spend an evening with them in celebration of Father's Day weekend.

Participating youth and fathers partook in bonding activities that included, tying a tie, "What's in your wallet" and word search games while enjoying some refreshments. Youth practiced tying a tie on their fathers as fathers communicated the process. Youth who had experience in tying a tie then did a step-by-step tutorial for the center.

Following the activities, fathers were presented with certificates of appreciation and gift cards provided by the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce. Fathers were encouraged to spend the money on themselves as hard as it may be to think of their children. Fathers expressed the appreciation to have the opportunity to spend time with their children at the center. The Father's Day event aims to recognize the hard work fathers do for their children and the importance their involvement is in their child's life.

In attendance were SBWIB Executive Director, Jan Vogel; Deanna Latimore and Sheryl Singh, Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce Board Members, fathers, teens of the teen center and family members.

The SBWIB operates four One Stop Business & Career Centers within its South Bay service area plus two Teen Centers in Inglewood and Hawthorne providing no cost adult, youth and business services. For further information, please call (310) 970-7700 or visit sbwib.org.

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**Photo caption:** Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce and South Bay Workforce Investment Board celebrate fathers with gift certificates donated by the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce for Father's Day, Thursday, June 13, 2019 at the Hawthorne Teen Center.





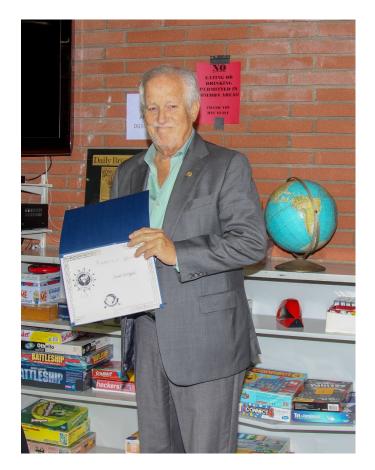




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