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Supervisor Biane Supports Youth Employment Opportunities

SAN BERNARDINO – San Bernardino County Second District Supervisor Paul Biane encourages young people to take advantage of employment opportunities the Workforce Investment Board will be funding with an infusion of federal stimulus dollars.

On Tuesday, the Board of Supervisors approved the Workforce Investment Board's plan to use \$7 million in funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 for youth work readiness programs. The funding is expected to create about 1,560 jobs for young people between the ages of 14 and 24. About 350 of the jobs will be located in the Second District.

"This is a great opening for young people to earn a little extra cash and to build the job skills they will need to succeed in their future careers," Biane said.

ARRA Funding will be provided to groups and organizations such as the Mountain Communities Boys and Girls Club, Goodwill Industries, the Provisional Accelerated Learning (PAL) Center, and the Career Institute to create job opportunities for youth in the County.

Youth entering the program must meet qualifications, including San Bernardino County residency, right-to-work documentation, and selective service registration for males over 18. Youth eligible to participate must also qualify as low-income under ARRA, or they must qualify as youth who would benefit from the program.

Residents can contact the Workforce Investment Board toll-free at (800) 451-JOBS to learn more about youth employment opportunities made possible by ARRA funding.

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