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Board Approves Contracts to Provide Education, Job Training Services

SAN BERNARDINO – On Tuesday, the Board of Supervisors approved contracts with eight vocational training schools, colleges, and other agencies that will provide education and training to CalWORKs clients in order to help them secure gainful employment.

The San Bernardino County Transitional Assistance Department (TAD) is required by the State to provide clients with training and educational services to help them transition from welfare to self-sufficiency. More than 500 CalWORKs clients participate in the training annually. The providers include Chaffey College in Rancho Cucamonga, the American Red Cross – Inland Empire Chapter, and San Bernardino Valley College.

“The economic crisis had a major impact on San Bernardino County, and as a result, more than 112,000 of our residents are currently unemployed,” San Bernardino County Second District Supervisor Paul Biane said. “By providing TAD’s clients with the education and job training they need to find good jobs, the County is helping them get on the road to economic self-reliance, which will set the stage for our region’s economic recovery.”

The unemployment rate in San Bernardino County is currently 12.8 percent, the highest level so far in the current recession. The unemployment rate reached 12.7 percent in March 2009. Last month’s unemployment rate was 12.5 percent.

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