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Workforce Development Board

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WDB earns state High Performing Board status

SAN BERNARDINO – Through the support and leadership of the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors, the County Workforce Development Board (WDB) once again is being recognized among California's highest-performing local workforce boards for its success in transforming lives and strengthening business throughout the nation's largest geographic county.

The three-year High Performing Board designation, from the California Workforce Development Board, underscores the impact the WDB is having in making sure job seekers obtain the skills they need and encouraging business growth by helping employers find qualified workers.

WDB exceeded state and federal standards in five specific categories in order to receive the designation, including training, strategic planning and business services.

"This is a great honor for our county and the Workforce Development team and recognizes our unified commitment to creating opportunities for job seekers and job creators," said Dawn Rowe, Board of Supervisors Chair.

"Our Board's continued commitment to engaging with the business community has resulted in extraordinary partnerships and opportunities for job seekers that have benefited and advanced the workforce system. I am proud of what the Board has achieved and will continue to achieve," said William Sterling, WDB Chair.

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About the San Bernardino County Workforce Development Board

The San Bernardino County Workforce Development Board (WDB) is comprised of private business representatives and public partners appointed by the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors. The WDB strives to strengthen the skills of the County's workforce through partnerships with business, education and community-based organizations. The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors is committed to providing county resources, which generate jobs and investment in line with the Countywide Vision.

The Workforce Development Board, through the San Bernardino County Workforce Development Department, offers a variety of programs designed to help youth and adults identify career pathways and get the appropriate training and skills. Programs funded through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) provide eligible youth, ages 16 to 24, access to a variety of career and educational services designed to help enhance job skills, develop leadership qualities, explore career options, participate in adult and peer mentoring opportunities, and take advantage of work experiences. In addition, the WDB operates San Bernardino County's three America's Job Centers of California (AJCC). The AJCCs provide individuals with job training, placement and the tools to strengthen their skills to achieve a higher quality of life. The AJCCs also support and provide services to the County's businesses, including employee recruitment and business retention programs, and a free Human

Resource hotline (877-282-3763) is available to answer any HR, employment and compliance related inquiries and more.

Employers and job seekers interested in WDB programs may call (800) 451-JOBS (5627), visit our website, follow us @SBCWorkforce and visit our WDB YouTube page.

WDB's job and resource fairs are a Title-1 financially assisted program and an equal opportunity employer program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. For federal funding disclosure information, visit wp.sbcounty.gov/workforce/ffd/.