

# No-Cost Green Training Programs Available for Veterans in San Bernardino County

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., Sept. 9, 2011 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – The San Bernardino County Workforce Investment Board seeks 100 veterans to participate in free job training programs. These training programs will teach the skills needed for green jobs available with local employers. Green industries include solar panel maintenance and installation, sustainable and recycled products manufacturing, transportation and logistics using alternative fuels and hundreds of other industries according to the grant.

Participants can enter training certificate courses paid for by this grant, or On-the-Job Training, where a portion of their wages are reimbursed while they train on the job. Welding and HVAC certification courses are currently being launched. Other training courses will be determined based upon the job interests of the participants. Post-training job placement assistance is also available.

“We are grateful for the commitment made by all our County’s courageous veterans,” said Josie Gonzales, Chair and County of San Bernardino Fifth District Supervisor. “We hope to see as many veterans as possible seize this opportunity for job training and job placement through this grant.”

Interested veterans may apply through their local San Bernardino One-Stop Employment Resource Center located in Rancho Cucamonga, San Bernardino or Hesperia. A social security card and DD214 paperwork are required. Fifty of these participants must be veterans separated within the last 48 months. The other fifty participants may have been discharged at any time to qualify. Accepting training paid for by federal grant funding does not affect a veteran’s G.I. Bill.

“Employers in the transportation and manufacturing industries are still seeking workers with specialized skills, and this training will prepare some of our returning heroes to enter these fields,” said Sandy Harmsen, Executive Director of the Workforce Investment Board and Director of Workforce Development for the County of San Bernardino.

The program is funded by a grant that the County received in collaboration with Kern County Employers’ Training Resource. The deadline for veterans to complete their no-cost training and obtain a job certification is March 31, 2012.

To find the location of the nearest San Bernardino County One-Stop Employment Resource Center, please visit: <http://www.sbcounty.gov/csb-win/wia.htm> .

## **About the Workforce Investment Board of San Bernardino County:**

The Workforce Investment Board of San Bernardino County is comprised of

private business representatives and public partners appointed by the County of San Bernardino Board of Supervisors. The WIB strives to strengthen the skills of the County's workforce through partnerships with business, education and community-based organizations. The County of San Bernardino Board of Supervisors is committed to providing county resources which generate jobs and investment.

The Workforce Investment Board, through the County of San Bernardino's Economic Development Agency and Workforce Development Department, operates the County of San Bernardino's Employment Resource Centers (ERCs) and Business Resource Centers (BRCs). The ERCs provide individuals with job training, placement and the tools to strengthen their skills to achieve a higher quality of life. The BRCs support and provide services to the County's businesses including employee recruitment.

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