



News for the Week of JUNE 10, 2019

LA:RISE – SOCIAL ENTERPRISES HELP INDIVIDUALS REGAIN CONFIDENCE

EWDD is a leadership team partner of LA:RISE, an innovative, collaborative partnership that unites the City and County of Los Angeles’ Workforce Development System (WDS) with non-profit social enterprises and for profit employers to help men and women with high barriers to employment get good jobs and stay employed. The City’s WorkSource Centers and LA:RISE prioritize individuals recently released from prison, the unsheltered or those at risk of homelessness, and youth ages 18-24 who are neither in school or working. After working in a transitional job at a social enterprise and leveraging training and services from the WorkSource Center, LA:RISE participants are placed at jobs in the private sector, in public-sector jobs in the City of LA, or in vocational training programs. Below are two stories featuring the success of LA:RISE and the impact the program has had on two recent participants.

LA:RISE RE-ENTRY PARTICIPANT GETS FULL-TIME JOB ON FREEWAY PROJECTS



Working at the social enterprise Chrysalis Roads put Justin on a path to building a better future for himself and his family – and now he is paying it forward. Shortly after being released from prison, Justin enrolled in the LA:RISE program because he was determined to build a future that was not predicated on his past. After completing Chrysalis’ job readiness program and the Convictions and the Job Search class, Justin joined Chrysalis Roads and began working on freeway maintenance projects.

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Justin's dedication was soon recognized by his supervisors and he was hired as a full-time staff member. Reflecting on his time in the LA:RISE program, "When I came in as a client, my outlook on life was very dim," Justin said. "I didn't believe in myself. I didn't have a whole lot at home, and Chrysalis gave that to me." Today, Justin supervises Chrysalis Roads crews and helps participants gain that same confidence.

FORMERLY HOMELESS, LA:RISE PARTICIPANT BECOMES CAMERA OPERATOR



After experiencing homelessness and struggling to maintain employment, Lupe enrolled in the LA:RISE program and soon began working at employment social enterprise partner New Earth as a camera operator. Lupe joined LA:RISE because she was excited about the opportunity to change her life and grow as a person, while also gaining valuable skills through paid job training. Working at New Earth gave Lupe confidence and made her more outgoing. Her favorite part of the work is that she is continually learning new things. Today, Lupe is proud that she can provide for herself and is currently going to college full-time. She is also on her way to being promoted as one of New Earth's team leaders.

EWDD HOSTS LAP3 MEETING FOCUSED ON HOMELESS YOUTH

Approximately 120 people attended the recent Los Angeles Performance Partnership Pilot (LAP3) quarterly meeting, hosted by EWDD, which focused on a discussion about services for youth experiencing homelessness in the City and County of Los Angeles. LAP3 partners, including the Los Angeles Housing Service Authority (LAHSA), delivered a presentation about services and programs available through Youth Coordinated Entry System (YCES) sites. The presentation also provided an overview of the partnerships currently in



place for education and workforce services, which included a partnership with EWDD, the LA County Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and Los Angeles County Department of Probation. The information provided at this quarterly meeting will enhance opportunities for the 3,000 plus homeless youth in the City and County of LA to have better access to housing or temporary shelters throughout the City and County. These quarterly meetings are a feature of the LAP3 program, which promotes handoffs and interagency partnerships to provide youth with various activities and programs for wraparound services. This partnership encourages a platform where providers share and connect youth to necessary resources, and staff from the City's 14 YouthSource Centers hold monthly regional LAP3 collaborative meetings to share information presented at the quarterly meetings along with other vital resources within the youth service providers throughout the City and County of LA.

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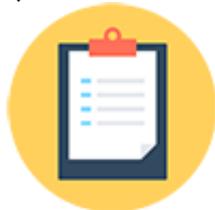
BUSINESS METRICS:

LABSCs Reporting:	North Valley, West Valley, South Valley, South LA, East LA, Mid City, Central West, Hollywood and Harbor
Microenterprise enrolled	N/A
Microenterprise assisted	N/A
Small businesses enrolled	N/A
Small businesses assisted	N/A
Number of BSC clients who attended workshops	N/A

WORKFORCE METRICS:

(arrows indicate weekly trend)

CalJobs *(online and mobile)*



647
Registrations
32%

WorkSource Centers



1,105
Enrollments
1%

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