



News for the Week of AUGUST 5, 2019

COMPASS ROSE COLLABORATIVE ALUM NAMED LEAD APPRENTICE ON PROJECT



Compass Rose Collaborative alum Anthony (above) receiving work tools

Compass Rose Collaborative (CRC) alum Anthony, who was featured in the July 1, 2019 issue of EWDD Updates, was appointed to a top position in an upcoming project. EWDD Senior Project Assistant Juan Romero, who oversees the CRC program, recently received an email testimonial about Anthony from Martin Bros., a Gardena-based construction company that hired him. “Anthony will be our lead apprentice on a condo project in West Hollywood,” said Heather Powen, director of marketing and communications for Martin Bros. “He is a true hustler and is going above and beyond for our team. Thank you for helping this young man out and giving us the opportunity to hire him.” The CRC program, offered at the Boyle Heights Technology YouthSource Center provides six weeks of training. Participants earn a Labor Ready Apprentice Certificate along with certificates in MultiCraft Core (MC3), OSHA10, CPR, Forklift, Hazardous Waste Operations, and Emergency Response (HAZWOPER). Shortly after finishing his safety training, Anthony was named an apprentice for Local 213, the Southwest Regional Council of Carpenters. The City of Los Angeles was one of three cities awarded a grant in 2018 from the US Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration (DOL-ETA) for the CRC young adult re-entry program.

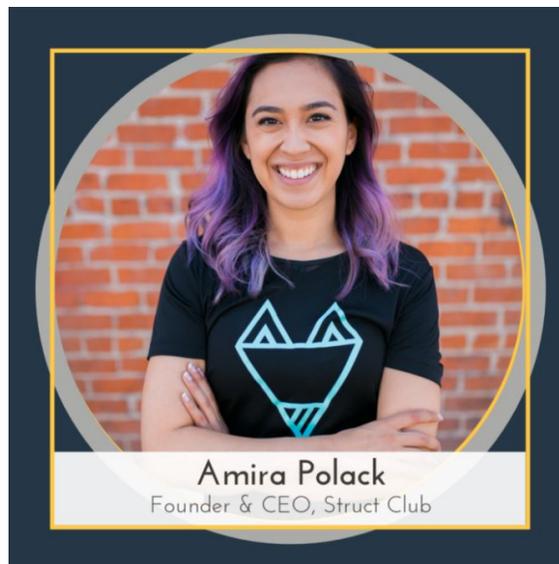
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GRID 110 INCUBATOR LAUNCHES STRUCT CLUB APP FOR SPIN INSTRUCTORS

Grid110, a 501c3 clean technology start-up incubator dedicated to helping entrepreneurs launch their businesses, recently celebrated alum Amira Polack, founder of the app Struct Club. “Struct Club is a transformed company because of Grid110,” Amira said in a profile Grid110 published on the online publishing forum Medium. Grid110 assisted Struct Club in developing team growth, product progress, business contacts, office space, affordable access to exclusive networking opportunities and free credits for tech, Amira said. Struct Club is an app for iPhones and Spotify that allows spin and cycling fitness instructors to choreograph a class one time and share that class on a teleprompter with students, instead of choreographing a lesson for each class session. EWDD administers and supports Grid110 through a \$700,000 Community Development Block Grant.



LA:RISE PARTICIPANT GAINS JOB EXPERIENCE, INSPIRED TO PURSUE NEW CAREER



The Los Angeles Regional Initiative for Social Enterprise (LA:RISE) program participant Christopher, recently gained work experience with social enterprise partner LA Conservation Corps that inspired him to pursue a career in landscaping or natural water preservation. Before he joined LA:RISE, Christopher was not working or enrolled in school, putting him at risk for homelessness. After watching his sister succeed at LA Conservation Corps, Christopher knew it was the opportunity he needed to achieve economic stability. Through LA:RISE Christopher was placed at LA Conservation Corps where he worked on a variety of projects that helped him build marketable job skills, strengthen his communication skills, and bolster his self-confidence. During the program, Christopher was praised for his hard work, consistency and can-do attitude. Now, motivated by his time at LA Conservation Corps and a project with the Metropolitan Water District, Christopher is preparing to

enroll in college in the fall to pursue a career in landscaping or natural water preservation. He joined LA:RISE “because I needed a job, now I am pursuing a career,” he said. EWDD is a leadership team partner of the Los Angeles Regional Initiative for Social Enterprise (LA:RISE), an innovative, collaborative partnership that unites the City and County of Los Angeles’ Workforce Development System 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.

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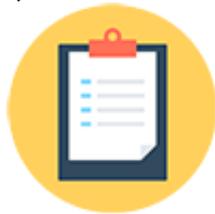
BUSINESS METRICS:

LABSCs Reporting:	North Valley, West Valley, South Valley, South LA, East LA, Mid City, Central West, Hollywood and Harbor
Microenterprise enrolled	15
Microenterprise assisted	40
Small businesses enrolled	2
Small businesses assisted	16
Number of BSC clients who attended workshops	105

WORKFORCE METRICS:

(arrows indicate weekly trend)

CalJobs *(online and mobile)*



690
Registrations
20% ↓

WorkSource Centers



1,271
Enrollments
16% ↓

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