

## WHAT HAPPENED IN MARCH 2019

## Mapped Out City Civil Service

March 4th, 2019

**Big Idea Learning Session** 

March 6th, 2019 at The WorkPlace

L.A. Hydro-Jet Hiring Event

March 7th, 2019 at The WorkPlace

Total Attendees - 33

Direct Hires - 6

Long Beach Youth Services Network Meeting

*March 8th, 2019* at The WorkPlace

**Amazon Recruitment** 

March 11th, 2019 at The WorkPlace

Total Attendees - 100

2018 CommunityWINS Grant Ceremony

March 13th, 2019 at The WorkPlace

**LAP3 Harbor Collaborative Meeting** 

 ${\it March~15th, 2019}$  at Los Angeles Harbor College

**Hosted Rapid Response Roundtable Event** 

March 21st, 2019 at The WorkPlace

**Youth Development Committee Meeting** 

March 21st, 2019 at The WorkPlace

**InspireLB Job Fair Preparation** 

March 21st, 2019 at Carmelitos

**Total Airport Safety Hiring Event** 

March 25th, 2019 at Harbor Gateway WorkSource Center

Total Attendees - 34

**Total Airport Safety Hiring Event** 

March 26th, 2019 at The WorkPlace

Total Attendees - 47

Direct Hires - 15

**Construction Job Fair** 

March 26th, 2019 at The WorkPlace

Total Attendees - 120

InspireLB Job Fair -

A Community Job Fair for Everyone

March 27th, 2019 at Carmelitos

Total Attendees - 110

**Security Professionals Hiring Event** 

March 28th, 2019 at Harbor Gateway WorkSource Center

Total Attendees - 5

Direct Hires - 2

**Amazon Recruitment** 

March 29th, 2019 at The WorkPlace

Total Attendees - 150

Felon Friendly Job Fair

March 30th, 2019 at The Gathering Lutheran Church Total Attendees - 50

## **LA P3 Harbor Collaborative**

March 15th, 2019

Pacific Gateway convenes monthly meetings with the LAP3 Harbor Collaborative. A group of youth service providers sharing best practices, participate in shared case conferencing activities, and streamline referral processes. The Collaborative's goal is to improve the education, employment, housing, and health outcomes of youth and their families. As a convener of the group, Pacific Gateway organizes, sets agenda items, leads discussion topics, and provides an environment that is conducive to the LAP3's collaborative goal.

On March 15, the Los Angeles Harbor College's team of academic and workforce development professionals hosted and presented on the school's wide range ofacademic, vocational/career technical, and student enrichment programs that prepare students to enter the workforce and/or transfer to four-year academic institutions. The college shared its holistic, human-centered and culturally relevant approach to serving the needs of its students, including students that are parenting, in foster care or probation, and/or facing economic hardship.

## Grant Award Ceremony: Elevating CA's Irregular Workforce

March 21st, 2019

ADULT

Wells Fargo and Mayor Garcia came together to celebrate the \$300,000 investment by US Conference of Mayors in the Elevating California Irregular Workforce (ECIW) project. The project is an initiative of the Pacific Gateway Workforce Partnership, a non-profit established by Pacific Gateway to pilot new workforce ideas and programs. These critical start-up funds, made possible by Wells Fargo, is fueling the development of a new system of connecting employers with workers searching for quality, flexible work.









# Did You Know? Who we serve.

YOUTH 14 - 24

VETEDAN

LOW-INCOME OR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RECIPIENT

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS** 

**UNEMPLOYED AND UNDEREMPLOYED WORKERS** 

INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

**OLDER WORKERS (55+)** 

REENTRY (INDIVIDUALS WITH A MISDEMEANOR OR FELONY)

SINGLE PARENTS AND PARENTING JOB SEEKERS

INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

# **Customer Spotlight**

**ADULT** 

Jose was the Director of Project Management for 9 1/2 years before his company had a mass layoff in early 2018. In March of that year, after three weeks of searching for work to no avail, he enrolled with Pacific Gateway. In his initial interview he shared his growing concerns about his marketability and his interest in receiving training to increase his chances for securing another job. His Career Specialist advised him to attend workshops to help him build an effective résumé and strengthen his interview skills. Jose learned about IT related training and decided it would be a great fit. Through the help of his Career Specialist, Jose was able to obtain new PMP, Scrum Master, and Lean Six certifications. After successfully completing training, he attended the HR Series workshop and was immediately referred to a Business Engagement Team member which was instrumental in connecting him to a great opportunity. Today Jose is an IT Project Manager Director at a major healthcare company. Through great teamwork, the professional staff at Pacific Gateway was able to prepare, guide and equip Jose with the tools he needed to land a dream job.









### Long Beach Youth **Services Network**

March 21st, 2019

YOUTH



#### Long Beach Youth Strategic Plan

Marcina Riley, My Brother's Keeper (MBK) Coordinator at the City of Long Beach's Health and Human Services Department, presented on the City's concept and plan for developing a new Youth Strategic Plan. The plan will amplify Long Beach's youth voice, highlighting how they could remain or be placed on paths toward meaningful adult lives.

The driving mechanism for the development of the Youth Strategic Plan will be conversations with youth. Marcina Riley and her team will collaborate with the Long Beach Youth Services Network and Pacific Gateway to connect with groups of youth, emerging adults, families, and other adults.

#### Pacific Gateway's Success Coach Model

Erick Serrato, Deputy Director and JP Elma, Program Manager at Pacific Gateway presented on their newly Over 120 job seekers attended the industry tailored designed Success Coach Model - a mentorship-based workforce development approach that expands youth

## InspireLB Job Fair -A Community Job Fair for Everyone

March 27th, 2019

Pacific Gateway partnered with EDD, HACoLA, and the staff at Carmelitos for the InspireLB Job & Resource Fair. Over 110 job seekers took advantage of the opportunity to meet with 16 employers offering local positions throughout various industries including hospitality, retail, logistics, manufacturing, healthcare, and government.

Prior to the the Job Fair, approximately 30 residents and community members gathered to attend a pre job fair workshop facilitated by WorkPlace staff that helped them prepare for the event by teaching them how to for the event by teaching them how to present an effective resumé and stand out in an interview.



## The Long Beach Pathways to Justice Careers (LBPJC)

March 21st, 2019

Mentors, professionals and college students in the fields of Justice and Emergency Response, worked with Long Beach high school youth on the topic of Resilience. Mentors provided support to the youth through discussions of struggles, life stressors and challenges by teaching them different positive coping strategies to build their resilience. The exercise proved successful in strengthening mentor/mentee relationships as well as fostering a sense of support within youth participants.

A second event occurred on March 28 at the Long Beach Police Academy provided by a partnership between LBPA, CLB City Prosecutor's Office, and Pacific Gateway. The Youth Justice Academy consists of a group of 33 youth who completed 4 classroom sessions at the City Prosecutor's Office who are invited to the LBPA to complete a 4 hour training on three different scenarios to complete the program. Youth in attendance responded to a traffic stop, a domestic violence call, and a violent transient in a neighborhood. Feedback from the youth was very positive and many left the Police Academy that day looking forward to their future as potential police officers.





## Construction Job Fair

March 26th, 2019

ADULT

event to meet with 15 participating businesses offering positions and services within the construction connections, and creates diverse youth development and industry. The event proved to be a successful opportutraining opportunities for young people in Long Beach. nity for attendees to meet and network with leading general contractors and subcontractors/trades working in our region.



## **Special Event for Dislocated** Security Personnel ADULT

In February of 2019 a major hospital outsourced their Public Safety Officers and Dispatchers leaving over 30 employees dislocated. Pacific Gateway through their Rapid Response team went onsite during the day and night shift to meet with the impacted workers. During the presentations it became apparent that many of those impacted were residents of Long Beach and hoped to stay employed in the City where they have served and reside in.

On March 7th the Emergency Communications and Operations Center hosted a special event in partnership with the City's Human Resources leadership to provide a thorough overview of the many safety related employment possibilities with the City of Long Beach. Pacific Gateway staff was joined by Police, Civil Service, Harbor and the Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Operations departments. After the event they were provided with a tour of the Police and Fire Dispatch Center to learn about immediate openings and the process of applying to become Dispatchers.

## Pacific Gateway 2.0: **Launched New Site**

The Pacific Gateway website has been completely redesigned to offer simpler and easier to navigate information about current programs, services and events.

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**Next Pacific Gateway Board Meeting** - May 21, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. 4811 Airport Plaza Drive. Ste. 120 Long Beach, CA 90815