

WHAT HAPPENED IN JULY 2020

US Census Bureau Recruitment
July 1st via virtual

CRST Commercial Truck Driving Hiring Event
July 2nd via virtual

Amazon Sortation Center Opportunities Recruitment Event
July 9th via virtual

CRST Commercial Truck Driving Hiring Event
July 9th via virtual

Willow Springs Park Program Launch
July 14th at Willow Springs Park

CRST Commercial Truck Driving Hiring Event
July 16th via virtual

Swinerton & Construction Career Pathways
July 28th via virtual

CRST Commercial Truck Driving Hiring Event
July 30th via virtual



PGWIN Training Guide

Established in compliance with the Eligible Training Providers List (ETPL) on CalJOBS, Pacific Gateway developed the Approved Vendors and Program Guide to support and sustain the growth of a progressive workplace. The guide is updated on a monthly basis to provide clients with a full array of training programs that meet their needs for employment and career pathways.

The guide includes training providers who can accept Pacific Gateway's vocational training scholarships of up to \$7,500 (individually), to receive Individual Training Accounts (ITAs) and have a Valid Educational Agreement with Pacific Gateway.

For more information, please contact the Contract & Compliance unit.

Job Program for Homeless at Willow Springs Park

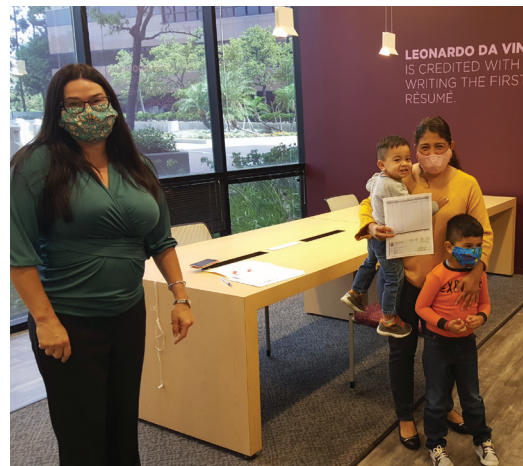
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In partnership with the City of Long Beach's Office of Sustainability, the City's Department of Health & Human Services, and Goodwill SOLAC, Pacific Gateway launched its first cohort of workers at the City of Long Beach Willow Springs Park on July 14th.

Five women experiencing homelessness were selected to participate in the six week project as Habitat Restoration Assistants/Land Stewardship Team members. A shuttle transports the participants to and from the worksite, and they receive a hot meal provided by Deli 456, a social enterprise of Mental Health America. Once a week the team participates in work readiness and skill development workshops facilitated by Goodwill at the Long Beach Multi-Service Center. Upon completion, participants will be offered the opportunity to increase their work hours and complete an additional 220 hours of paid work experience.

As Habitat Restoration Assistants/ Land Stewardship Team Members, workers have been crucial in caring for native plants and habitat restoration. Under the direction of staff from the Office of Sustainability, participants have taken a holistic approach to their work while discovering a connection to nature, learning about native plants, herbal remedies and maintenance of the the 12-acre restoration project.

The project goal is to connect workers to permanent environmental-related employment upon completing their paid work experience hours. The next cohort is scheduled to start in August.



COVID-19 Impacted Workers Rent Assistance

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July proved to be another fruitful month as Pacific Gateway and community-based organization's (CBO's) continued to help residents with rent assistance. CBO's have referred over 300 workers who were impacted by COVID-19 due to lay offs, business closings, hours/pay reductions, or other related reasons preventing them from working. Applicants were provided up to \$800 of rent assistance and connected to other resources, many of whom had no source of income due to ineligibility for unemployment benefits or other forms of public assistance.

Pacific Gateway staff who are bilingual in Spanish, Khmer & Tagalog followed-up with applicants to assist with processing applications and issuing payment.

Partners include Centro CHA; Disabled Resource Center; Goodwill, SOLAC; Long Beach Community Action Partnership; Long Beach Immigrant Rights Coalition; Salvation Army; United Cambodian Community; Veterans Youth Career Collaborative; California Families in Focus; and Latinos in Action.

Through recent Rapid Response efforts with local employers facing major layoffs, Pacific Gateway has connected with two hundred additional workers who may be eligible for rent assistance.



Regional Partnership with Amazon Workforce Staffing

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In July, Pacific Gateway launched a regional partnership with Amazon to host a series of virtual recruitment events where interested job seekers can learn and interact directly with Amazon recruiters looking to fill growing needs within Amazon's sortation centers, distribution hubs and various other units including their growing Whole Foods operations. The first event was a glowing success with nearly 100 registering to attend. Job seekers can access this and other employers via pacific-gateway.org/hiringnow



AMERICAN HERITAGE COLLEGE

Virtual Workshops

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Pacific Gateway has partnered with American Heritage College to conduct a series of free Virtual Webinars to engage the community in learning during COVID-19.

The informative webinars provide attendees plenty of opportunities to ask questions and talk about real life logical and straightforward examples.

The workshops were developed to provide customers the opportunity to learn about:

Resume Writing; Time Management; Effective Communication; How to brand yourself for today's jobs & career; How to create a LinkedIn page; How to search for the "right job"; and Essential Soft Skills

Reopening Group Efforts

The question of how to reopen has been a topic of discussion since the decision to limit public access to Pacific Gateway's two America's Job Centers. In an effort to provide customers a healthy and safe environment, Pacific Gateway commissioned the Reopen Workgroup. The main objective of the workgroup is to provide customers with a fully functional workforce center that adheres to state and local health and safety guidelines. In a set of guidelines, the group has purchased safety materials, developed staff protocols and center signage. A Safety Ambassador will be appointed at each center to support staff protocols and ensure customers are safe.

With the pandemic still ongoing, the workgroup keeps close watch for new health and safety recommendations.

COVID-19 Precautions

If you are currently experiencing the following symptoms:



Fever or chills



Cough



Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Did You Know?

Age Demographics

Customers we served in Program Year (PY) 19 - 20 under Age Demographics

AGE	#	%
14 - 18	58	3.9%
19 - 21	110	7.5%
22 - 24	120	8.2%
25 - 34	378	25.7%
35 - 44	295	20.1%
45 - 54	245	16.7%
55 - 64	215	14.6%
65 and older	49	3.3%



Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

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July kicked off the distribution of the City's plan to provide local businesses with Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to their staff. Each PPE kit will include 20 disposable masks, 3 bottles of hand sanitizer and 1 face shield. Pacific Gateway will pack each kit, house distribution and monitor requests through a partnership with the Small Business Development Center.

Track our monthly activities at pacific-gateway.org/updates

Next WDB Meeting - August 18, 2020 at 7:45 a.m.
4811 Airport Plaza Drive. Ste. 120 Long Beach, CA 90815

For more information visit: pacific-gateway.org/upcoming