WHAT HAPPENED IN MAY 2019

Long Beach Hospitality Job Fair  
May 1st, 2019 at Renaissance Long Beach Hotel

Brewing in the LBC  
May 1st, 2019 at Renaissance Long Beach Hotel

Long Beach College Promise  
Career Fellows Mixer  
Opportunities in Early Childhood Education  
May 7th, 2019 at Little Owl Preschool

2019 Long Beach Job Fair  
May 9th, 2019 at Long Beach Convention Center

MLife Rapid Response  
May 11th, 2019 at The WorkPlace

Pacific Gateway Workforce Development Board Meeting  
May 21st, 2019 at The WorkPlace

Patriot Environmental Services Recruitment  
May 21st, 2019 at Harbor Gateway WorkSource Center

MSC Career Fair  
May 29th, 2019 at The WorkPlace

Long Beach College Promise  
Career Fellows Mixer - Healthcare  
May 29th, 2019 at The WorkPlace

Military Sealift Command (MSC) Career Fair  
May 29th, 2019

On May 29th, Pacific Gateway hosted the Military Sealift Command Career Fair. Due to the strict specialized requirements of the positions offered, the turnout was smaller than more conventional career fairs that offer broader career opportunities. The facilitator mentioned he was pleased with the turnout as the majority of applicants were interested and qualified for the job.

The United States Navy’s Military Sealift Command (MSC) is an organization that controls the replenishment and military transport ships of the Navy. Military Sealift Command has the responsibility for providing sealift and ocean transportation for all US military services as well as for other government agencies.

Long Beach College Promise Career Fellows  
May 7th, 2019

Little Owl Preschool kicked off May by hosting a LBPC Career Fellows Mixer. The event was a chance for Career Fellows who were interested in early childhood education to explore their opportunities and network with professionals within the field.

On May 29th, The WorkPlace was host to a Mixer focused on healthcare opportunities. Several health-care employers participated. The event kicked off with an inspiring keynote delivered by Dr. Alexander Red Eagle, an internal Medicine Hospitalist with the Veterans Health Administration and jointly serves as an Assistant Professor of Medicine at the University of California, Irvine. workforce, and connect to employers in the Long Beach area.

Pacific Gateway in partnership with the Long Beach College Promise (LBCP) administers the Long Beach College Promise Career Fellows Program, an effort that assists students graduating from or completing a certificate program at CSULB or LBCC by helping them explore career options, prepare for the workforce, and connect to employers in the Long Beach area.

Learn more by visiting pacific-gateway.org/careerfellows

Mental Health: Future LB  
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Connecting to Mental and Social Emotional Health Services is a workgroup co-led between staff, Board members and community leaders with a mission to better understand youth we serve in need of emotional and mental health assistance. The workgroup has convened with practitioners in various aspects of the mental and emotional health service field to explore the needs of youth in Long Beach and neighboring communities.

Youth services staff have shared their observations of perceived youth needs and framed mental health or general wellness through a workforce lens. Working together, mental and emotional health practitioners used these observations to workshop strategies and services based on their own expert observations. The result being a set of recommendations on the types of activities and services that should be weaved into the physical and programmatic design of Future LB. These design sessions have helped Pacific Gateway explore the importance of social-emotional skills and their relation to improved educational outcomes and economic success.
Customer Spotlight

In March of 2019, Mr. Velez registered at the WorkPlace. Upon his initial interview, he expressed a high desire to participate in an Apprentice Union, specifically the Elevator Apprenticeship. Mr. Velez had been on their waiting list for 2 years. At the time, he was living in his car at night and taking care of his young children during the day as his ex was working. In early April, Mr. Velez was informed about the Water Meter Laborer Technician (Water meter installer) position with the Local Labor Union. He was eager to take advantage of this opportunity. After completing an intensive weeklong boot camp, he demonstrated his physical ability to meet the work requirement. Mr. Velez was offered the position making $23.80 an hour as a full-time Water Meter Installer/Technician. We helped with his union initiation fee, work boots, as well as transportation supportive service for the first week of work. During his last meeting in May, Mr. Velez became emotional while sharing his appreciation for all the help he received from Pacific Gateway, stating, “it’s good to be making money again.” Until now, it had been two years since the last time he was able to earn a regular paycheck.

Workshop Highlight

Prepare to Interview, presented by Casto Carabayo, Employment Readiness Coach and Interview Expert

Over the course of four hours, participants are led through a series of interview preparedness exercises. The enjoyable, yet challenging exercises cover essential interviewing techniques ranging from drafting an elevator pitch to successfully opening and closing an interview.

The workshop closes with mock interviews, where participants gather in groups to practice their newly-acquired skills amongst each other. As the presenter, Casto Carabayo put it, “the goal is for participants to leave the workshop with an unwavering sense of confidence and an improved ability to highlight their valuable skills, assets and qualities during the interview process.”

United American Indian Involvement (UAII)

On May 15th, we met with the United American Indian Involvement, Inc. about how to better strengthen our partnership. Alisa Munoz and Lucius Martin led talks about Pacific Gateway, services we provide and the benefits of UAII providing services to the large local Native American population that reside within our service area.

The United American Indian Involvement, Inc. is a community-based organization that provides health, education and social services to American Indian/Alaskan Natives within the Los Angeles urban area.

Did You Know?

Customer Characteristics

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Next Pacific Gateway Board Meeting - August 20, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.
4811 Airport Plaza Drive. Ste. 120 Long Beach, CA 90815

To find out about future events visit: pacific-gateway.org/upcoming