



News for the Week of DECEMBER 9, 2019

NORTH VALLEY BUSINESSSOURCE CENTER CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING

A crowd of 100 people attended the grand opening of the North Valley BusinessSource Center (BSC) on Friday, December 6, 2019. EWDD partner, Initiating Change in our Neighborhoods (ICON), recently took over the site and is now the provider for both the North Valley and South Valley BSCs. EWDD Assistant Chief Grants Administrator Jacqueline “Jackie” Rodriguez spoke at the event and thanked



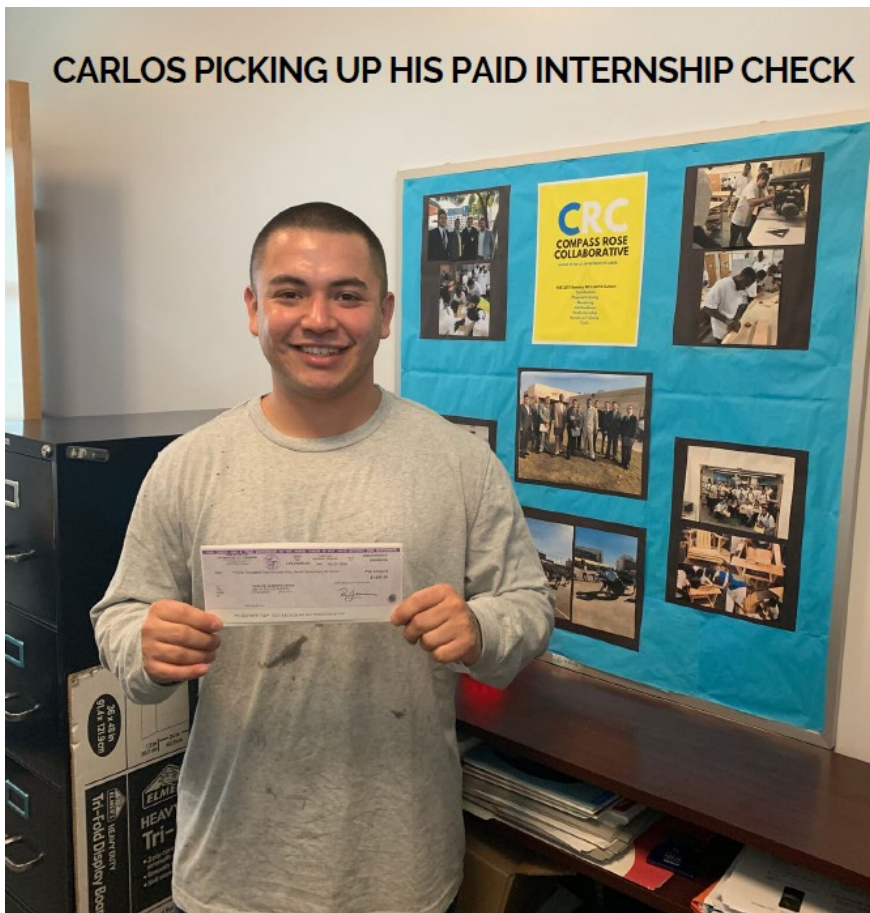
ICON staff for establishing the new site. She also implored local small business owners to avail themselves of the free business services available across the City’s nine BusinessSource Centers. “To anybody who has a small business or a growing business, whether you have a thought and an idea, a desire to start a business or whether you actually have a small business that you want to grow or if you want to have a second location, the BusinessSource Centers are here to help,” Jackie said. “You have excellent staff at both of the Valley locations, so please take advantage of them.” The grand opening also featured tables from

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several sponsors and local government representatives and officials, including the Mayor's Office of Community Business and City Councilmember Monica Rodriguez.

COMPASS ROSE COLLABORATIVE ALUM HIRED AT METALS COMPANY



Compass Rose Collaborative (CRC) alum Carlos stopped by the Boyle Heights Technology YouthSource Center on December 3, 2019 to notify his instructors that he was released from parole transitional housing and has started working as a die forge helper at Weber Metals in Long Beach. "I'm very grateful for the opportunity that the CRC program has given me. I have a good job now and I'm looking forward to being a positive role model to my son." Carlos completed the 120-hour construction pre-apprenticeship program in October 2019, earning certificates in OSHA10, Forklift, and CPR. The City of LA was one of three cities awarded the CRC grant from the US Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration in June 2018. The program, which is offered at

EWDD's Boyle Heights YouthSource Center, provides construction safety training to re-entry youth ages 18-24.

BUSINESS METRICS:

LABSCs Reporting:	North Valley, West Valley, South Valley, South LA, East LA, Mid City, Central West, Hollywood and Harbor
Microenterprise enrolled	18
Microenterprise assisted	66
Small businesses enrolled	3
Small businesses assisted	20
Number of BSC clients who attended workshops	3

WORKFORCE METRICS:

(Monthly metrics for December 2019 will be provided the week of January 6, 2010)

CalJobs *(online and mobile)*



Registrations

WorkSource Centers



Enrollments

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