



State of California

# Employment Training Panel

*Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor*

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## **Employment Training Panel Awards Job Training Funds for Nurse Training Pilot Programs**

**SACRAMENTO** – The California Labor and Workforce Development Agency's Employment Training Panel (ETP), at its March 24, 2006, meeting approved two contracts totaling \$688,600 to fund training to upgrade Certified Nurse Assistants (CNAs), currently employed in health facilities, to Licensed Vocational Nurses (LVNs). ETP's pilot program was established to bolster the Governor's Nurse Education Initiative, launched in 2005, to address California's critical shortage of nurses and to increase advancement in jobs.

The Sacramento Employment and Training Agency (SETA) was awarded \$507,600 in training funds, which will create 80 new jobs in health facilities that provide diagnosis, care, prevention and treatment of human physical or mental illness, including convalescence and rehabilitation facilities. Training under the SETA contract will be provided by the Grant Adult, Community and Vocational Education Program, which is part of the Grant Unified School District in Sacramento.

SETA is a joint-powers agency of the City and County of Sacramento under the auspices of the Sacramento Works, Inc., Workforce Investment Board (WIB). For more information on the SETA nurse training program, please call William Walker of SETA at 916-263-4639.

The Quality Care Health Foundation (QCHF) was awarded \$180,000 in training funds, which will create 30 new jobs in health facilities that also provide diagnosis, care, prevention and treatment of human physical or mental illness, including convalescence and rehabilitation facilities. Training under the QCHF contract will be provided by St. Francis Career College, Emanuel Medical Center/Modesto Jr. College, and Palo Verde College.

QCHF provides educational training and resource materials to professionals in the long-term health care industry, and develops classes necessary to meet the licensing requirements for Registered Nurses, LVNs, and Nursing Home Administrators. For more information about the QCHF nurse training program, call Jim Koontz, Executive Director of QCHF at 916-441-6400.

Including the nurse training programs, the Panel approved 38 contracts, totaling over \$10.7 million in job training funds to train more than 8,760 California workers in skills needed to improve productivity in order to compete in the global economy.

ETP is a business and labor supported state agency that assists employers in strengthening their competitive edge by providing funds to partially off-set the costs of job skills training necessary to maintain high-performance workplaces. California's ETP is a performance-based program, providing funds for trainees who successfully complete approved training programs and are retained in well-paying jobs for a specific period of time.

The program is funded by the Employment Training Tax paid by California employers, and targets firms threatened by out-of-state and international competition. Since its inception in 1983, the ETP program has provided over \$800 million to train more than 600,000 workers in almost 60,000 California companies. Employers match training funds awarded through ETP contracts, making these projects true public-private partnerships.

To view copies of the proposals considered by the Panel at its most recent meeting, visit the ETP website at <http://www.etp.ca.gov/packet.cfm>. For more information about the ETP program, please visit [www.etp.ca.gov](http://www.etp.ca.gov), or call 916-327-5261.

**(Attachment)**

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**EMPLOYMENT TRAINING PANEL**  
**CONTRACTS APPROVED**  
**MARCH 24, 2006**

<b><u>Contractor</u></b>	<b><u>County</u></b>	<b><u>Contract Amount</u></b>
Customized Services Administrators, dba CASA Travel Protection	San Diego	\$ 18,560
Arlon Incorporated	Orange	\$ 74,100
Surefire, LLC	Orange	\$ 430,768
Harbor Packaging, Inc.	San Diego	\$ 180,544
Booz Allen Hamilton	San Diego/Los Angeles/Orange/ San Francisco	\$ 498,771
R.W. Lyall & Company, Inc.	Riverside	\$ 179,140
MetLife Investors Group, Inc.	Orange	\$ 212,355
Ray Products, Inc.	San Bernardino	\$ 50,000
E3 Financial	Orange	\$ 12,320
Appareltext USA, Inc.	Orange	\$ 2,400
Advanced Bionics Corporation	Los Angeles	\$ 1,014,000
AIG SunAmerica, Inc.	Los Angeles/San Diego	\$ 475,540
DENSO Sales California, Inc.	Los Angeles	\$ 230,620
International Energy Services Company dba IESCO, Inc.	Los Angeles/Contra Costa	\$ 319,176
PaperPak Products, Inc.	Los Angeles	\$ 31,980
Pelican Products, Inc.	Los Angeles	\$ 152,425
Standard Homeopathic Company	Los Angeles	\$ 140,000
American Security Group, Inc.	Statewide	\$ 199,960
TLD Distribution Company	Los Angeles	\$ 240,000
California Manufacturing Technology Consulting	Statewide	\$2,055,870
California Distribution	Los Angeles	\$ 40,680
Enhanced Vision Systems, Inc.	Orange	\$ 48,000
Century Housing Corporation	Statewide	\$ 389,390
Trench Plate Rental Co. dba Westar Mfg. Corp.	Los Angeles	\$ 32,110
Electronic Arts, Inc.	San Mateo/Los Angeles	\$ 692,900
EMC Corporation.	Alameda/Santa Clara/San Diego	\$ 531,050
PerkinElmer Optoelectronics	Santa Clara	\$ 80,600
Hilmar Cheese Company, Inc.	Merced	\$ 750,672
Mass Precision Sheetmetal, Inc.	Santa Clara	\$ 287,300
Naprotek, Inc.	Santa Clara	\$ 48,000

Krazan & Associates.	Santa Clara/Kern/Fresno/ Riverside/Sacramento/Stanislaus/ San Bernardino	\$ 83,200
Sacramento Employment & Training Agency	Sacramento/Butte/ San Joaquin	\$ 507,600
Quality Care Health Foundation	Stanislaus/Los Angeles/Riverside	\$ 180,000
Universal Propulsion	Solano	\$ 99,720
Goodwill Industries of Santa Clara County.	Santa Clara/San Benito	\$ 236,804
Baumbach and Piazza.	San Joaquin/Ventura	\$ 13,200
Ekistics Design Studio	Sacramento	\$ 4,800
MemoryTen Inc.	Santa Clara	\$ 118,800

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