

From Executive Director Stewart Knox

This last year has been an exciting year for ETP! We have had more projects than any previous year and with that great opportunity, challenges always arise. We have met those challenges head-on, and are well positioned to soar to even greater heights! The budget this year has topped over \$94 million, and this next year ETP anticipates at least that amount of funds moving us into the 15/16 fiscal year. The Panel has taken several steps this year to first open the door in April for Multiple Employer Contracts and for Single Employer Contracts in May. With these steps we hope to alleviate the rush to funding and create a smooth process flow, since we have another busy year ahead. Five new positions have been filled within ETP, two in the Sacramento field office, two in the Southern California offices and one in the Bay Area. This too will help in managing the work flow going forward.

I have been here just over six months, and believe that our dedicated staff and partner organizations make this a great organization to help move businesses into the next level of success for California. Through education and training programs, our contracting business's employees will have the necessary skills to continue to improve the economy for the state of California. I look forward to this upcoming year and to the continued support from our partners.

Project Highlights

- ETP opened up the Preliminary Application pipeline for Multiple Employer Contracts (MECs) effective April 1, 2015.
- As of April 30th, ETP has received 60 MEC Preliminary Applications since the pipeline re-opened.
- The Preliminary Application Pipeline for Single Employers opened on May 1, 2015.
- If you are interested in applying to ETP, please visit <http://www.etp.ca.gov/ProcessFY1516.cfm>

Press Release Highlights

Employment Training Panel Awards \$425,000 in Job Training Funds to Help Family-Owned Sacramento Baking Company Expand Nationally and Internationally ([see full press release](#))

May Ann's Bakery has committed to hiring 94 new employees over the life of their two-year contract.



The Employment Training Panel is pleased to provide financial resources to small business owners in order to create good paying long-term jobs. The nearly \$425,000 in job training funds for Mary Ann's Baking Company mean more opportunities for employee advancement and a helping hand in creating new jobs.

**Stewart Knox, Executive Director
 Employment Training Panel**

Our bakery is a family endeavor, but we also want to grow our business and bring on more staff. We are dependent on an environment that supports learning, growth, and teamwork, and we continue to invest in workforce training because we've seen the results.

**Cheryl Moore,
 Human Resources Manager
 Mary Ann's Baking Company**



Partnerships

In recent years, ETP has entered into strategic partnerships aimed at increasing opportunities for job creation and retention through workforce training.

Through strategic alliances, ETP has been able to target and expand its marketing efforts throughout the state, including rural and agricultural areas such as the Central Valley.

ETP also continues to strengthen partnerships with the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz).

Other partnerships have included the California Workforce Investment Board, the California Community College Chancellor's Office, the California Labor Federation, California Manufacturing Technology Consulting, Inc. and the Corporation for Manufacturing Excellence, the Division of Apprenticeship Standards, and the California Energy Commission.

Panel Member Spotlight



Barry Broad is the Principal of Broad & Gusman, a law firm he established in 1994. His firm specializes in government relations and administrative law. From 1985 through 1994, he was Legislative Counsel for the California Teamsters Public Affairs Council. From 1982 through 1985 he was Staff Counsel to the Public Employment Relations Board. He received both his undergraduate and Juris Doctor Degree from the University of California, Davis.

Mr. Broad is a member of the Labor and Employment Section of the California State Bar, the American Civil Liberties Union, and the Consumer Federation of California. He also serves as President of the Jewish Federation of the Sacramento Region. In 1999, he was appointed by Governor Gray Davis to be a member of the Industrial Welfare Commission. He served on the Commission until 2001.

Mr. Broad was first appointed to ETP in January, 2002 by former Senate Pro Tempore John Burton, and was appointed Chair of the Employment Training Panel by Governor Brown on July 18, 2011.

Issues and Legislation

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act

On July 22, 2014, President Barack Obama signed the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) into law. WIOA is designed to help job seekers access employment, education, training, and support services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy. Passed by a wide bipartisan majority in Congress, this is the first legislative reform of the public workforce system in fifteen years. The Labor and Workforce Development Agency is sponsoring two bills – AB1270 (E. Garcia) & SB45 (Mendoza) - to facilitate the implementation of WIOA in California. ETP is working closely with the State Workforce Investment Board and other partners to support implementation of the new federal law.

Distributed Generation: Report: Green Workforce Training Programs

AB 1132 (Ting) would require the Public Utilities Commission to study and report annually to the Legislature and the Governor on the impacts of distributed energy generation on the state's distribution and transmission grid. Further, AB 1132 would require the Commission, in consultation with the California Workforce Investment Board and the Employment Training Panel, to include in its report an evaluation of the current use of, and opportunities for, green workforce training programs relating to the deployment of distributed energy resources.



For a complete list of the bills ETP is tracking, contact ETP's Legislative Analyst at 916-327-5368

Approved Funding Allocations for FY 15-16

Project Type	Allocations
MECs	\$19, 782, 779
Single Employers	\$44,300,000
Small Business	\$6,500,000
Critical Proposals	\$7,840,000
Apprenticeship/ non-traditional	\$12,078,779
Total	\$90,501,558

Includes continuation of 38% encumbrance level for FY 15-16

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