



State of California

## Employment Training Panel

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### **Employment Training Panel Approves \$2.4 Million to Support Apprenticeship Training** *Total Job Training Funds for Apprenticeship top \$10 Million for the Year*

SACRAMENTO – The State of California’s Employment Training Panel today approved 17 single and multiple employer contracts worth more than \$3.6 million for job-skills training, including more than \$2.4 million for the Panel’s Apprenticeship Training Pilot Program that will help to train nearly 1,400 workers.

“Apprenticeship programs are an important component to growing California’s economy,” said Stewart Knox, the Employment Training Panel’s Executive Director. “The job training funds approved today will help workers to grow their skills and income, and to meet the workforce needs of businesses and industries.”

The Apprenticeship Training Pilot Program aids individuals who are working on completing the rigorous training requirements of pre-apprentice, apprentice, and journeymen training programs approved by the California Division of Apprenticeship Standards. The Employment Training Panel has approved more than \$30 million in job training funds under the Apprenticeship Training Pilot Program since its inception in early 2012, including more than \$10 million this fiscal year alone.

Apprenticeship training programs are a major contributor in enhancing the skills of frontline workers in many key industry sectors, and with proven and effective training methods, are uniquely suited to help increase the number of highly skilled workers throughout California’s economy. The \$2.4 million approved today will fund apprenticeship programs for plumbing and pipefitting, finishing trades, electrical, air conditioning and refrigeration, iron workers, and heat and frost insulator industries.

“This funding will help us to recruit and train women, minorities and veterans for top paying jobs for Union Contractors,” said Dick Zampa, Apprenticeship Coordinator for the Field Ironworkers Apprenticeship and Training Program of Southern California. “The Ironworkers Apprenticeship Program is committed to training the next generation of safe and productive world-class workers.”

The Employment Training Panel is the state’s premier program supporting job creation and retention through training. Since its inception in 1983, the ETP program has provided approximately \$1.25 billion to train more than 800,000 workers for more than 78,000 California companies. Employers match training funds awarded by ETP, making these projects true public-private partnerships. For more information about the program, please visit [www.etp.ca.gov](http://www.etp.ca.gov), or call 916-327-5368.

PROJECTS APPROVED  
February 20, 2015

**REVIEW AND ACTION ON PROPOSALS**

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>City/County</u>	<u>Contract Amt</u>
<b><u>North Hollywood Regional Office</u></b>		
Apprentice & Journeymen Training Trust Fund of the Southern California Plumbing and Piping Industry	Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara & Ventura	\$649,905
Finishing Trades Institute of District Council 36 Joint Apprenticeship Training Trust Fund	Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Los Angeles, Mono, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara & Ventura	\$649,650
Kern County Electrical Joint Apprenticeship & Training Committee	Kern	\$267,160
Los Angeles and Orange Counties Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Joint Journeyman and Apprentice Training Committee	Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara & Ventura	\$299,886
<b><u>San Francisco Bay Area Regional Office</u></b>		
AcademyX Group, Inc.	Statewide	\$267,727
California Field Iron Workers Apprenticeship Training and Journeyman Retraining Fund	Statewide	\$359,500
Headway Technologies, Inc. (Amendment)	Santa Clara	\$140,040
<b><u>Sacramento Regional Office</u></b>		
AgreeYa Solutions, Inc.	Alameda & Sacramento	\$187,960
Northern California Heat & Frost Insulators and Allied Workers Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee	Statewide	\$200,160
Sacramento Area Regional Technology Alliance (RESPOND)	Butte, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Sutter, Yolo & Yuba	\$287,000

**Proposals Approved By Delegation Order**  
For 1/13/15 – 2/10/15

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>City/County</u>	<u>Contract Amt</u>
<b><u>North Hollywood Regional Office</u></b>		
Brickley Construction Company, Inc. DBA Brickley Environmental (Amendment)	San Bernardino	\$3,080
Qualified Billing and Collections, LLC	Los Angeles	\$99,765
<b><u>San Francisco Bay Area Regional Office</u></b>		
Vionic Group LLC	Marin	\$40,690
<b><u>San Diego Regional Office</u></b>		
JDZ Inc. DBA AleSmith Brewing Company	San Diego	\$91,000
Partners Advantage Insurance Services, LLC	Riverside	\$42,042
<b><u>Sacramento Regional Office</u></b>		
Digital Doc, LLC	El Dorado	\$31,954
Parco Holdings, LP	Fresno, Kern, Placer, Sacramento, San Mateo & Santa Clara	\$59,700