



STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Employment Training Panel



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Employment Training Panel Approves \$9 million to Train 7,300 employees

Mountain G Enterprises Awarded Training Funds for Wildfire Prevention

SACRAMENTO – The State of California’s Employment Training Panel announced that it approved 29 contracts worth nearly \$9 million in job training funds for 7,300 workers. As wildfires rage across California, the Panel awarded Mountain G Enterprises Inc. \$248,630 to hire and train 218 workers to aid to the remediation effort.

“ETP supports industries critical to the health and well-being of our economy,” said Reg Javier, Employment Training Panel Executive Director. “The funds approved today address job retention for workers, as well as play a vital role in contributing to wildfire prevention efforts.”

Mountain G Enterprises (MGE) provides general construction, vegetation management, and geographical data development and support for clients such as utility companies, the US Forest Service, and the US Fish and Wildlife Service. With wildfires impacting industries such as agriculture, clearing of vegetation and debris is needed to avert additional destruction.

In order to help mitigate the devastating effects to workers and industries in communities most severely impacted by natural disasters, such as earthquakes, floods, major storms, hurricanes, tornadoes, pandemics, and fires, ETP implemented the Rapid Employment Strategies Pilot on Natural Disasters – (RESPOND) program. Funding this project through the RESPOND program will allow MGE to provide rapid assistance in wildfire debris clearing, prevention, and preparedness.

California has strict guidelines for utility companies to ensure wildfires are prevented. As a result, MGE has experienced an increase in demand for its services in utility line maintenance. MGE has formalized a training plan focused on inspection, evaluation, and removal of trees, and vegetation, including hazardous vegetation, and debris around utility lines. Successful training through this project will also ensure MGE can meet response efforts in order for power lines to be restored during wildfire incidents.

A wide variety of training under MGE’s project will be offered to 168 workers. Staff will receive business and customer service skills, Utility Foresters will train extensively for vegetation identification and removal, while Environmental Specialist, Field Safety Staff, GIS Technicians, Professional Development Staff, and Operation Managers will receive training

in environmental science, geographic system software, and hazardous waste cleaning and material handling. MGE plans to hire 50 new employees to address its increased demand of current workforce needs, and long-term prevention efforts.

ETP's program offers training funds to provide employability skills and advancements. Funding projects like these employs our economy with trained workers that are able to address and prevent the risk of wildfire to communities in wildland areas.

For more information about the program, please visit www.etp.ca.gov, or call (916) 327-5578.

Listed below are the projects approved at the panel's September 25th, meeting.

More details about each project can be found in the full [panel packet](#).

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The Employment Training Panel provides financial assistance to California businesses to support customized worker training that attract and retain businesses which contribute to a healthy California economy.

PROJECTS APPROVED
September 25, 2020
REVIEW AND ACTION ON PROPOSALS

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>City/County</u>	<u>Contract Amt.</u>
<u>North Hollywood Regional Office</u>		
Los Robles Regional Medical Center	Ventura	\$441,945
Motive Energy Telecommunications Group, Inc.	Los Angeles, Riverside, Tulare, Orange, Sacramento	\$147,775
Pasadena City College	Los Angeles	\$200,000
Pathways Management Group, Inc.	Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside, Ventura	\$199,550
<u>San Diego Regional Office</u>		
Life Generations Healthcare LLC dba Generations Healthcare	San Diego, Stanislaus, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles	\$487,968
Physicians for Healthy Hospitals, Inc.	Riverside	\$474,375
Urban Corps of San Diego County Charter School	San Diego	\$226,845
<u>Sacramento Regional Office</u>		
7173 North Sharon Avenue Operating Company, LLC dba San Joaquin Rehabilitation Hospital	Marin, Fresno, San Bernardino, Shasta, Sacramento, Riverside	\$433,044
California Manufacturers & Technology Association	Statewide	\$200,000
College of the Sequoias	Contra Costa, Fresno, Kern, Madera, Merced, Stanislaus, Tulare, Kings	\$586,871
Mountain G Enterprises Inc.	Placer, Butte, Fresno, Sonoma	\$248,630
Sunrise Medical (US) LLC	Fresno	\$304,980
Taylor Farms Pacific, Inc.	San Joaquin	\$200,000
<u>San Francisco Bay Area Regional Office</u>		
Abbott Vascular, Inc.	Alameda, Contra Costa, Orange, Santa Clara, San Mateo, Riverside	\$200,000
Agilent Technologies, Inc.	Sacramento, Santa Clara, Santa Barbara	\$200,000
Applied Technologies, Inc.	San Luis Obispo	\$200,000
BioMarin Pharmaceutical Inc.	Marin	\$200,000
Keysight Technologies, Inc.	Sonoma, Santa Clara, Placer	\$200,000

Ly Brothers Corporation dba Sugar Bowl Bakery & Donuts	Alameda	\$100,000
Opportunity Junction, Inc.	Contra Costa	\$198,000

Central Office - Program Projects Unit

Bay Area Counties Roofing and Waterproofing Industry Apprenticeship Training Fund	Alameda, Contra Costa, Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Monterey, Napa, San Benito, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma	\$427,160
Drywall Finishers Finishing Trades Institute Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee	Statewide	\$297,366
Glaziers, Architectural Metal & Glass Workers Finishing Trades Institute Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee	Statewide	\$296,466
Laborers' Training and Retraining Trust Fund for Southern California	Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, San Diego, Riverside, Ventura	\$378,860
Local Union 250 of the Southern California Pipe Trades District Council No. 16 of the United Association	Los Angeles	\$427,350
Northern California Elevator Industry Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee Trust Fund	Northern California	\$427,952
Sheet Metal Workers' Local No. 104 and Bay Area Industry Apprentice and Journeyman Training Fund	Northern California	\$409,288
Solano-Napa Counties Electrical Industry Apprenticeship & Training Trust	Napa, Solano	\$161,921
Stationary Engineers Northern California and Northern Nevada Apprenticeship and Training Trust Fund	Statewide	\$427,350

Proposals Approved By Delegation Order

For 8/15 – 9/14/20

≤ \$75,000

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>City/County</u>	<u>Contract Amt.</u>
<u>San Diego Regional Office</u>		
KML Enterprises Career Development, LLC dba New Horizons Computer Learning Center of Southern California	San Bernardino, San Diego, Ventura, Kern, Los Angeles, San Luis Obispo, Orange, Santa Barbara, Riverside	\$57,794
<u>San Francisco Bay Area Regional Office</u>		
Vox Network Solutions, Inc.	San Mateo	\$74,520