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News Release

Employment Training Panel awards \$1.7 Million to Support Training State-Certified Electricians to Install Electric Vehicle Charging Equipment Statewide

SACRAMENTO, CA – On July 18, 2025, the California Employment Training Panel (ETP) in partnership with the California Energy Commission (CEC) approved \$1.7 million in funding to support 14 Electric Vehicle Training Program (EVITP) Fund programs. The goal of the awards is to support California's transition to zero-emission vehicles by ensuring state-certified electricians can install electric vehicle charging infrastructure. The organizations funded today will function as intermediaries between ETP and state-certified electricians as they obtain their EVITP certifications. Training is provided at no cost to the individuals.

California's clean energy future depends on a workforce that's ready to power it. This investment will help ensure workers have the skills to install and maintain our electric vehicle charging infrastructure while advancing the state's climate goals and opening doors to stable careers.

–Stewart Knox, Secretary of Labor & Workforce Development Agency

What Employment Training Panel Director Dr. Jessica Grimes Said: "ETP is honored to make an investment in support of the Clean Economy, a priority sector identified in the *Economic Blueprint* for the California Jobs First initiative. These strategic workforce investments directly impact workforce, employers, and communities by ensuring California's ZEV infrastructure is maintained at the highest standards across urban and rural areas."

What Los Angeles Electrical Training Institute Director David Nott Said: "The Electrical Training Institute is pleased to be a recipient of the EVITP Fund. As the largest electrical training center in California, this grant will help ensure that our journey-level members are trained to safely and properly install charging stations throughout Los Angeles. We thank the ETP Panel for their selection, consideration and confidence in our ability to provide the best trained electrical workforce in Los Angeles."

Why it Matters:

EVITP Fund grantees also focus on supporting areas of the state that do not currently have enough trained state-certified electricians to install and maintain charging stations. Programs will increase the economic and geographic diversity of EVITP state-certified electricians by ensuring that a minimum of 50 percent of funds are invested in employers or individuals located in disadvantaged communities, low-income communities, or rural areas. Trainees must receive EVITP certification in order to be supported by the program. EVITP offers a \$275 online course (approximately 20 hours) covering topics like load requirements, electrical codes, and charger installation. Certification is valid for 3 years.

The funding awarded today will help the state reach its goals of getting 5 million zero-emission vehicles onto California roads by 2030 and 100% of all in-state sales of passenger cars and trucks are to be zero-emission by 2035.

EVITP Fund Recipients Include:

- Associated Builders and Contractors, Northern California - \$297,045
- AI Roboto Edu LLC dba Launch Institute of Technology - \$254,610
- Alameda County Electrical Industry Apprenticeship & Training Trust - \$152,766
- Central Valley Business Federation - \$190,958
- Santa Clara County Electrical JATC dba Electrical Training Alliance of Silicon Valley – \$72,140
- Fresno Area Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee - \$21,218
- IBEW Local 40 NECA Training Trust - \$12,731
- Inland Empire Electrical Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee - \$186,714
- Los Angeles County Electrical Educational and Training Trust Fund dba Los Angeles Electrical Training Institute - \$229,149
- Orange County Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and Training Trust - \$84,870
- Redwood Empire Electrical Training Trust - \$50,922
- Sacramento Area Electrical Workers Joint Apprenticeship and Training Trust - \$33,948
- San Diego Electrical Training Trust - \$84,870
- Shasta Builders Exchange Inc. - \$84,870

Partnering to Support the ZEV Future:

The Employment Training Panel (ETP) provides funding to employers to assist in upgrading the skills of their workforce through training that leads to good-paying, long-term jobs. Funded by California employers through a special payroll tax, the ETP operates as a funding agency— not a training provider. Businesses determine their own training needs and identify how best to deliver that training. The ETP has a tripartite governing structure, with appointed Panel members from business, unions, and state government. Since 2012, the ETP has partnered with the California Energy Commission (CEC) to support the Zero Emission Vehicle industry, including training for automobile manufacturers, bus mechanics, and electricians to service charging stations.

Zero-emission vehicles play an important role in California's efforts to reach its ambitious climate

and air quality goals. The CEC is the lead state agency investing in infrastructure to charge electric vehicles, which are available in plug-in hybrid electric and battery electric configurations. Through the Clean Transportation Program, the CEC also invests in training initiatives that are helping to drive the transition to clean, zero emission electric vehicles throughout the state.

For more information about the ETP program, please visit www.etp.ca.gov, or call (916) 737-4181.

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The ETP was created in 1982 by the California State Legislature. It is governed by an eight-member panel whose members are appointed by the Governor, Speaker of the Assembly and the Senate who represent business, labor and government.