## **APPRENTICESHIP & WIBs: Expanding the Partnership**

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#### What is Registered Apprenticeship?

- Proven (Globally; California 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
- Structured/ Supervised/Monitored/Certificated
- "Earn & Learn" Model -- 2 components: Paid, structured OJT (graduated wages) Post-Secondary Classroom Instruction (thru CCCCO)
- Demand/Job-Driven training to meet specific Employer needs -- Customized, Flexible
- Over 1000 "Apprenticeable Occupations"
- At NO Cost to the Apprentice

## What is DAS?

- L.C. 3073: "foster, promote and develop the welfare of the apprentices and industry"
- Our dual mission Meet employer needs for a skilled workforce; "set a young worker on an upward trajectory for life" – Pres. Obama
- Designs customized training programs incorporating employer-determined skill sets learned on-the-job with post-secondary RSI
- Issues nationally-recognized certificates

#### Background

#### **Building on the Apprenticeship – WIA Foundation**

- "Encouraging Enhanced Partnerships & Collaboration between Workforce Investment System & Registered Apprenticeship Programs" **TEN # 44-11** (May 10, 2012)
- "Leveraging Registered Apprenticeship as a Workforce Development Strategy for the Workforce Investment System" TEGL # 02-07 (July 12, 2007)
- "Vision for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Apprenticeship" TEN #17-06 (November 22, 2006)

## Background

• White Paper, commissioned by Advisory Committee on Apprenticeship (ACA) DOL/ETA --

"Partnering for Success: Recommendations to Facilitate Greater Collaboration between the Registered Apprenticeship & Public Workforce Systems"

 California – AB 554 -- CWIB & WIBs shall ensure programs funded by WIA, directed to "apprenticeable occupations," conducted in coordination with DASapproved apprenticeship programs.

#### Center for American Progress: "Training for Success: A policy to Expand Apprenticeships in the US"

"Expanding the use of this highly effective training model can help our nation meet the demand for skilled workers, create pathways to well-paying careers for young workers, and give American businesses a competitive edge in the global marketplace."

#### Apprenticeship in the News 2014

- "Apprenticeships could help U.S. workers gain a competitive edge"
- "Apprenticeships help close the skills gap."

-- THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

#### **New Emphasis on Apprenticeship**

President Obama State of the Union:

(January 2014)

"Train Americans with the skills employers need, and match them with good jobs that need to be filled right now. That means more on-the-job training and *more apprenticeships*."

## **New Emphasis on Apprenticeship**

- FY 2015 federal budget sets a goal to *double the number of apprenticeships* in 5 years
- Established RACC "Registered Apprenticeship College Consortium"
- Industry-driven job training. No more "train and pray." -- DOL Secty Perez
- "Ready to Work: Job-Driven Training and American Opportunity" -- VP Joe Biden July 2014; issued same day as WIOA

## \$100 Million "<u>American Apprenticeship Grants</u>"

- **Goal**: To *dramatically expand* Registered Apprenticeship Programs around the country
- **How**: \$100 million H-1B funds to stimulate *partnerships* -- that help more workers participate in registered apprenticeship.
- When: Solicitation for proposals to be issued October 2014; Awarded in Winter 2014/2015

### **Targeted Industries**

 Industries experiencing skills shortages, evidenced by their use of H-1B visas

 Including, but not limited to: Healthcare Manufacturing Information Technology (IT)

# Who are Eligible Partners?

- Employers
- Industry Associations
- Training Providers
- Community Colleges
- Labor Organizations
- State & Local Governments
- WIBs
- Non- Profits & Faith-Based Organizations

## In California

- All apprenticeship programs on ETPL;
- Prop 39/CWIB-funded 7 regional "MC3"
  Pre-apprenticeship programs including SF
- AB 554 established partnership
- All 25 DAS field staff assigned to interface with all 49 local WIBs, provide development assistance --including SF Office

## We want to help you succeed!

Through the new "American Apprenticeship Grants" or otherwise –

The **California Division of Apprenticeship Standards (DAS) are** WIB partners and on-going resources to all state and local WIBs -- to meet employers needs for skilled workers and assist WIB efforts to place, train and *simultaneously employ* workers.

New **WIOA** increases/enhances Apprenticeship-WIB partnerships through emphasis on "Earn & Learn" & "Job-Driven Training."

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