



**PRESS RELEASE**

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**The South Bay Workforce Investment Board  
Receives Grant to serve Homeless Veterans**

**HAWTHORNE** – The South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) was awarded a \$97,000 grant from U.S. Vets in Inglewood to provide employment services to homeless veterans throughout the South Bay region. The funding comes from the Homeless Veteran Reintegration Program (HVRP) through the Department of Labor’s Veterans’ Employment and Training Service. The funding obtained will also provide assistance to veterans who were formerly incarcerated or will soon be released and are now seeking employment.

The grant will provide job training, counseling, placement and related employment services to expedite the reintegration of homeless and formerly incarcerated veterans into the labor force. Veterans with families and those who are at risk of homelessness also qualify for services.

The SBWIB will focus on employing many veterans within the construction industry due to the current high demand for job seekers in the South Bay area with numerous major projects taking place; including the Los Angeles Football Stadium and Entertainment District at Hollywood Park. The Inglewood football stadium is projected to provide more than 3,500 on-site jobs during construction and more than 10,000 support jobs by the time it is completed.

For those job seekers that may not fit within the construction sector the SBWIB will place them into another priority industry. SBWIB’s Executive Director, Jan Vogel stated, “Our partnership with U.S. Vets is very important to us and we are honored to be able to receive this funding and help homeless veterans gain meaningful employment.”

The SBWIB operates four One Stop Business & Careers Centers within the South Bay service area plus two Teen Centers in Inglewood and Hawthorne providing adult, youth and business services. For further information, telephone 310-970-7700 or visit [www.SBWIB.org](http://www.SBWIB.org).

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