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This Labor Day, EDD highlights job seekers connecting with employers in midst of record-tying employment expansion

Online feature showcases top in-demand jobs in each region of the state

NOTE: Broadcast-quality soundbites and B-roll available for media use.

SACRAMENTO – This Labor Day, the Employment Development Department (EDD) is spotlighting how workers with in-demand skills and employers in search of qualified employees can get connected through the state’s workforce development system during an employment expansion that is now 113 months long, tying the record-long expansion of the 1960s.

“Through EDD’s employment services and training programs, job seekers have the tools and resources to help them achieve their employment goals,” said EDD Director Patrick W. Henning. “We’re dedicated to supporting job seekers, while assisting employers in finding the candidates they need for success.”



Pictured: Sesar Juarez, Bio-Flex graduate at work.

The EDD’s [2019 Labor Day feature page](#) includes regional data on in-demand jobs, as well as videos showcasing personal successes of California’s workforce development system in connecting employers and job seekers. Successes like that of Sesar Juarez, who completed a Los Angeles-area Bio-Flex apprenticeship program to become a Laboratory and Facilities Technician in the in-demand bioscience industry.

The EDD’s Labor Day feature also includes:

- **Infographics of the Top Five In-Demand Middle-Skill Occupations** in each of the state’s 14 economic regions: Bay-Peninsula, Capital, Coastal, East Bay, Humboldt, Inland Empire, Los Angeles Basin, Middle Sierra, North Bay, North State, Orange, San Joaquin Valley, Southern Border, and Ventura. Middle-skill occupations require either some college, postsecondary non-degree award, or on-the-job training.

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- [The 2019 Labor Day Briefing](#) which highlights labor market trends and identifies the industries driving the current record-tying employment expansion. California has now gained approximately 3,299,000 jobs since the state's current expansion began in February 2010 and is projected to generate a total of 4.8 million job openings between the second quarter of 2018 and the second quarter of 2020.
- **Links to Resources** to help search for current job openings, training opportunities, and career services available in local areas through the workforce development system's America's Job Center of CaliforniaSM Locations.
- **Media Video Package** with broadcast-quality videos on how job seekers have successfully connected to employers by using the assistance of local workforce development services in the Bay Area, Central Valley, Los Angeles and San Diego.
- **Video B-Roll and Soundbites for Media Use** that include a selection of short video and audio clips from success stories. Contact the EDD Media Services Office for broadcast quality video at EDDMediaInquiries@edd.ca.gov

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