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California Registered Apprenticeship Week

As California works to rebuild a fair and prosperous economy in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, programs like registered apprenticeships have an integral role in offering pathways to good jobs for a diverse workforce.

Registered apprenticeships combine on-the-job training with classroom instruction, an effective way for employers to develop talent and for participants to find meaningful careers. In California, there are more than 96,000 active apprentices earning while they learn in over 1,200 apprenticeship programs in a wide array of industries such as health care, financial services, green energy, information technology, aerospace, construction, logistics and advanced manufacturing.

Apprenticeships offer a career pathway to people of color, women, veterans, people with disabilities and high school students, helping to build a stronger, more inclusive economy. These men and women are caring for patients in hospitals, building infrastructure like airports and the high-speed rail and protecting communities from wildfires, among other contributions.

This week, we recognize the important work of registered apprentices, employers, apprenticeship program sponsors and leaders from California educational institutions, business and labor in providing and promoting career opportunities across a variety of trades and industries. Together, California is building a skilled, inclusive workforce for the jobs of today and tomorrow.

Sincerely,

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