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OC Workforce Solutions Celebrates 10th Annual National Apprenticeship Week with Events for Job Seekers and Businesses

SANTA ANA, Calif. (November 12, 2024) – Orange County (OC) Workforce Solutions is hosting a series of events for job seekers and businesses in celebration of the U.S. Department of Labor’s 10th Annual National Apprenticeship Week. These events guide attendees on how to start or join apprenticeship programs in various industries, including early childhood education, automotive, culinary, and skilled trades.

“We are committed to developing the next generation of workers and fostering economic growth in Orange County,” said Chairman Donald P. Wagner, Third District Supervisor of the OC Board of Supervisors. “These events will highlight how apprenticeships provide paths to rewarding careers and help local businesses build skilled, dedicated workforces.”

Throughout the week, attendees will explore various apprenticeship opportunities, hear success stories, and access resources that bridge career growth with workforce development.

“The County is dedicated to connecting residents and businesses with the resources they need to thrive,” said Vice Chairman Doug Chaffee, Fourth District Supervisor. “This year’s apprenticeship events offer something valuable for everyone, and I encourage both job seekers and businesses to attend and discover the benefits.”

In Orange County, apprenticeships can lead to high-paying careers, with experienced workers earning up to \$150,000 a year in popular fields.

“I have always supported hands-on training, which enhances classroom learning, addresses skills gaps, and helps workers prepare for better-paying jobs,” said Supervisor Vicente Sarmiento, Second District. “We should provide all the support we can to help workers be better prepared to enter the workforce and launch successful careers.”

Held annually each November, National Apprenticeship Week will take place from November 17 to November 23, 2024. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet face-to-face with representatives from apprenticeship programs in fields like construction, electrical, engineering, automotive, and more.

“Apprenticeship programs transform lives and launch well paid careers for our residents,” said Supervisor Katrina Foley, Fifth District. “Events throughout each corner of Orange County provide wonderful opportunities to connect residents with skilled and trained job opportunities and build a strong path to the middle class for Orange County families regardless of where they live.”



Event Schedule

Pathways to Apprenticeships for Businesses (in partnership with the Division of Apprenticeship Standards)

Date: November 19, 2024
Time: 12 p.m.
Location: Webinar via Zoom
Registration: bit.ly/NAWPathways

Apprenticeship Recruitment and Information Event #1

Date: November 20, 2024
Time: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Location: OC Workforce Solutions – South
28202 Cabot Road, Suite 140, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677
Registration: bit.ly/NAWEvent1

Apprenticeship Recruitment and Information Event #2

Date: November 21, 2024
Time: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Location: OC Workforce Solutions – North
675 Placentia Avenue, Suite 330, Brea, CA 92821
Registration: bit.ly/NAWEvent2

To learn more about National Apprenticeship Week, email info@ocworkforcesolutions.com or call (866) 500-6587.

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About OC Workforce Development Board:

The OC Workforce Development Board, through the Orange County Workforce Solutions Center, offers comprehensive services, including hiring assistance, career transition support, and employment services to businesses and job seekers at no cost.

About National Apprenticeship Week:



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National Apprenticeship Week was established by the U.S. Department of Labor to celebrate the significant impact Registered Apprenticeship programs have had in rebuilding our economy, advancing racial and gender equity, and supporting underserved communities.