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Career Center Opens in Five Cities

Workforce Investment Act (WIA) program Business and Career One-Stop Center program expands to serve the South County.

San Luis Obispo, Ca, October 15, 2009 – Shoreline Workforce Development Services with funding from the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) of San Luis Obispo County has opened a new “One-Stop” Career Center at 1800 Grand Ave. Grover Beach. These much needed services will now be available to South County residences and businesses without having to travel to San Luis Obispo.

The South County has been especially hard hit with layoffs and has one of the highest unemployment concentrations in the County. Goodwill President, Michael Paul states “We are excited to deliver services to the South County where the need is particularly acute, especially in these rough economic times”.

In addition to the opening of the Five Cities site, the County of San Luis Obispo WIB has introduced an internet based Virtual One Stop system to allow job seekers and employers to connect online. The site can be found at www.slo-onestop.net. Job seekers can explore career options, research the labor market, write resumes as well as apply for jobs. Employers are encouraged to register to post job opportunities and review candidate resumes all at no cost.

Business and Career One-Stops are designed to provide a full range of assistance to job seekers and employers. One-Stops were established under the Workforce Investment Act. The centers offer training referrals, career counseling, job listings, and similar employment-related programs.

Core Services such as Assessment and Job Search Workshops will be provided at no cost to job seeking customers. Intensive services will be made available to those unable to obtain work through the core services and those clients will receive one-on-one help or an Individual Employment Plan (IEP) after going through the core and intensive services. Those who qualify may enroll in longer-term training.

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