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Update Report for September 2025

The South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) continued to strengthen its role as a regional leader in workforce development during September, advancing inclusive job creation, apprenticeship expansion, and targeted outreach efforts across the South Bay. This month marked significant milestones in aviation pre-apprenticeship, disability inclusion, employer engagement, and environmental workforce planning.

Through new and ongoing initiatives, SBWIB remains committed to connecting residents with sustainable, high-quality career pathways while supporting employers across key sectors including aerospace, healthcare, construction, and advanced manufacturing.

El Segundo

Through ongoing collaboration with aerospace, healthcare, and IT employers, SBWIB advanced the development of structured earn-and-learn pathways for youth. Employers including Northrop Grumman and Lockheed Martin continued to support the region's aerospace apprenticeship ecosystem, and SBWIB was recently introduced to Heart Aerospace, an innovative electric aircraft manufacturer, to explore potential recruitment and apprenticeship partnerships.

SBWIB has been working with Manufacturing organizations to develop work-based learning experiences for high school and college students interested in aerospace and precision manufacturing careers. These partnerships reinforce El Segundo's standing as a key hub for the aerospace industry and help ensure that South Bay residents are prepared for high-demand technical occupations.

Torrance

Through the California Opportunity Youth Apprenticeship (COYA) Implementation Grant, SBWIB partnered with El Camino College to support apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship development for youth in high-demand industries. During the July–September quarter, SBWIB and El Camino College collaborated on inclusive career pathway design, integrating dual-enrollment coursework and industry-aligned technical training that prepares students for registered apprenticeships.

El Camino College continues to serve as a key partner in supporting healthcare, manufacturing, and digital technology pathways, aligning with SBWIB’s broader effort to connect education with industry needs. The partnership also plays a major role in SBWIB’s regional apprenticeship planning under the Southern California Apprenticeship Network (SCAN), ensuring alignment with the California Apprenticeship System (CAS).

Hawthorne

Twelve students from Da Vinci High School in the Wiseburn Unified School District became the first graduates of SBWIB’s Sky-Flex Pre-Apprenticeship Program, an initiative preparing youth for careers in aviation, aircraft maintenance, and assembly.

The program’s three-track model—covering work readiness, technical skills, and work-based learning—gave students firsthand exposure to aviation careers. Students toured the Sling Aircraft Factory, participated in drone piloting exercises, and received individual flight lessons at the Sling Pilot Academy at Torrance Airport.

Funded by the Howmet Aerospace Foundation, Sky-Flex provides a powerful introduction to the aviation and aerospace industries, combining classroom instruction with hands-on experience that inspires students to pursue careers in the growing aerospace sector.

Carson

SBWIB’s Carson One-Stop Business and Career Center partnered with Mayor Lula Davis-Holmes and the Carson Citizens Cultural Arts Foundation to host a successful Job Fair on August 29th at the Carson Event Center. The event connected more than 1,100 job seekers with nearly 70 employers across the public, private, and nonprofit sectors. Over 100 on-the-spot interviews were conducted, and employers reported plans to hire up to 200 participants following the event.

In addition, SBWIB and the City of Carson have just successfully submitted an application for \$500,000 through the U.S. EPA’s FY26 Brownfields Job Training Grant Program. If awarded, the program will recruit, train, and place unemployed and underemployed Carson residents into well-paying environmental careers. SBWIB aims to enroll 72 participants, graduate at least 50 residents (a 70% completion rate), and place at least 35 graduates into environmental jobs. These outcomes will deliver measurable benefits for Carson families while strengthening the city’s local economy and environmental workforce capacity.

Inglewood

SBWIB was awarded a \$993,000 Disability Access, Equity, and Inclusion (DAEI) grant through the California Employment Development Department (EDD) and Department of Rehabilitation (DOR). This initiative expands employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities throughout the South Bay by providing access to career counseling, paid work experience, apprenticeships, and supportive services.

SBWIB and DOR will co-enroll participants across Inglewood, Carson, Gardena, and Torrance AJCCs, ensuring coordinated case management and access to wraparound resources. “This investment ensures that individuals with disabilities in our region have equitable access to training, support, and pathways into high-demand industries,” said Jan Vogel, SBWIB Executive Director.

General Updates

SBWIB continues to lead multiple regional efforts to expand apprenticeship and workforce access:

- **NASA Partnership:** SBWIB’s collaboration with NASA on the development of a proposed Aerospace Workforce Hub continues to progress. The initiative aligns local CTE programs with NASA’s identified skilled technical needs in machining, composites, orbital systems, and cybersecurity, introducing youth to high-demand aerospace pathways.
- **Recently SBWIB registered 22 new occupations with the State of California which can be found in the attached list. Spanning multiple industries.**
- **SCAN Regional Leadership:** SBWIB continues to facilitate monthly convenings through the Southern California Apprenticeship Network (SCAN), providing a forum for employers, educators, and workforce partners to coordinate apprenticeship expansion and align with California’s statewide apprenticeship goals.

Through these combined efforts, SBWIB continues to deliver measurable workforce outcomes that strengthen South Bay communities and support equitable access to quality careers

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PM Sun
76°/68°



Saturday
Partly
Cloudy
76°/68°



Sunday
Partly
Cloudy
78°/69°



A National Day of Remembrance



LAX Airport Police joined their partner safety and security agencies at the airport to honor and remember the lives lost on 9/11. Together, we remember the fallen, honor the heroes, and reaffirm our commitment to never forget. Photo courtesy LAX Facebook page.

Ongoing Issues, But Much to Applaud

By Ron Sokol

The Invocation at the September 9th meeting of the Hawthorne City Council was very poignant: Praying for positive change, peace, and healing, as the community deals with many challenges and adversities. Positive news was first up:

Through the good work of Hawthorne's Public Works Department and the advocacy of Council member Katrina Manning, Holly Park has obtained a \$1 million grant, which will replace not just a notably outdated restroom, but also build a new, attractive structure with a drinking fountain, storage area, office, electrical room, and snack bar. The surrounding landscape will also be upgraded, with attractive drought-tolerant plants. It is anticipated that the work will start at the beginning of 2026 and be completed in time for the summer.

Pat Donaldson stepped forward, President of the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce. She brought two new members, Michael Diaz, who has an excellent mobile car detailing service, and Deanna Gerald, a certified artificial intelligence consultant. Both were well received.

Norm Haynie then addressed the Council. He is a well-experienced developer, who the Superior Court has recently appointed as "the neutral" to oversee the myriad orders issued to require the Hawthorne Mall to get fully up to code. Norm said: "It is my job to find a solution to that eyesore of the last 25 years. I want to work with the City to understand your goals and objectives, and make sure the future is consistent with that..." Surprisingly, however, Mayor Vargas was not fully receptive. He was concerned that Mr. Haynie's approach might be to bypass the City Attorney, who had successfully handled the litigation. Later in the meeting, the Mayor came to understand that Norm will, in fact, be directly conferring in the near term with Hawthorne's City Attorney and City Manager.

To be clear: The Los Angeles Superior Court has issued a very formidable, final Injunction against the owners of the Hawthorne Mall property, such that there is a real likelihood that the 35 acres which constitute the Hawthorne Mall are going to be transformed in due course into something truly beneficial to the

community. The City of Hawthorne has now issued an informative press release about the successful conclusion of the case. Mr. Haynie could play a vital role as the neutral working at the direction of the Court.

But, as the opening Invocation indicated, not all is as good as we may hope. Council heard once more from several people about the negative fallout and hurtful impact of the ICE raids. Just one of the downsides: The food giveaway, which City Clerk Dayna Williams-Hunter has been part of, is postponed for now because of safety concerns. Council listens to the community and will continue to do what it can to improve things. My impression is that not everyone will be satisfied with what has been and will be done. There is anger and anguish in equal measure about what ICE did. And, a concern we all share – are we going to have more visits?

Council member Reyes English wants to get the word out: September is Emergency Preparedness Month. Numerous disasters could cause havoc here, not the least of which is an earthquake. Mayor Vargas will be travelling later this month to a conference on disaster preparedness to be held in El Paso, Texas, which has been subject to flooding.

Reyes English also discussed Operation Gobble, which involves turkey giveaways. Stay tuned for the date, which will be in November,

before Thanksgiving, and will take place in the parking lot adjacent to the Betty Ainsworth Sports Center. The City and the Chamber of Commerce will work together, and a toy giveaway will also be planned for December.

Cert training, which initiates with a "meet and greet", is going to be set. City Manager Von Norris will work on the date. This was another action item that Council member Reyes English wanted to ensure the community was aware of.

Discussion then ensued as to "taking a little time off" at the holidays. But, if City Hall closes, might that negatively impact those who need City services? It was decided that City Hall will close **from December 22 to January 2**, but several of the days in that time frame are holidays anyway. Further, City Manager Norris reminded that the City managed through the rigorous COVID-19 shutdown. It is essential to get the word out about when City Hall will temporarily close at year-end, but as Mr. Norris said, "our work doesn't stop."

Council member Faye Johnson has been away for a little while, helping her daughter get situated at college. She expressed a lot of kudos, including for how well the State of the City went, the funds raised for the Police Department's K-9 Unit, and the improvement of Crenshaw Boulevard. In addition, she lives

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Mayor Vargas Touts State of the City. Image provided by Ron Sokol.

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Kiwanis Club Salutes Guide Dogs of America



Hawthorne Kiwanis gifted a large variety of toys for dogs who help children with autism, sightless persons, and Veterans with PTSD. Photo courtesy Ron Sokol.

Students and Employers Participate in the 25th Annual Job Fair Hosted by the SBWIB at El Camino College

On Wednesday, April 30th, over 1,400 high school and college-age students gathered at El Camino College (ECC) for the 25th Annual Blueprint for Workplace Success Youth & Young Adult Job Fair, presented by the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) in partnership with ECC. The event saw participation from students representing more than 20 local high schools in the South Bay region, as well as several hundred students from El Camino College. In total, over 100 businesses were registered, offering a wide range of employment opportunities to local youth.

The job fair provided students with the chance to connect directly with employers, resulting in more than 150 students being offered employment on the spot and over

3,000 job leads provided to attendees. Many of these students were also scheduled for second interviews, significantly increasing their chances of securing meaningful, long-term employment.

SBWIB Executive Director Jan Vogel addressed the attendees, stressing the importance of making a strong first impression. "Look the interviewer in the eye, shake their hand, and take this opportunity to learn about the career pathways that could lead to future employment," Vogel said.

Dr. Brenda Thames, President of El Camino College, also welcomed participants, emphasizing the value of the event for young job seekers. "This job fair process continues to be successful in enabling young job seek-

ers to gain first-time employment," Thames said. This year marked the third consecutive year that SBWIB brought the event to the ECC campus.

Torrance City Councilmember Sharon Kalani reminded students that while landing a job is a goal, the journey itself is just as important. "Today, you've already taken the first step by attending this job fair," Kalani remarked. "The skills you're developing and the connections you're making will serve you well as you move forward in your career."

Beyond meeting employers, students participated in interactive workshops led by major organizations like Disneyland and the FBI. These workshops allowed participants to explore career paths and learn firsthand

about the skills and qualifications needed to succeed in these exciting industries.

The Youth Job Fair not only provides immediate employment opportunities but also serves as an important resource for students looking to build long-term career pathways. Many of the employers attending the event were seeking entry-level employees, offering young people a chance to develop essential skills and gain valuable work experience. For many teens, this job fair represents their first real-world job experience, a crucial steppingstone to future success.

This annual event is a cornerstone of SBWIB's commitment to helping young people in the South Bay region develop the skills

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NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: JENSINA FUERTE and DOES 1 through 75, inclusive **YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:** MARCO RUIZ, MAXIMILIANO RUIZ **NOTICE!** You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away, if you do

not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. **NOTE:** The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. **CASE NUMBER:** 21STCV23954 The name and address of the court is: Stanley Mosk Courthouse 111 N. Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA. 90012. The name address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: Trevor J. Herrera Esq. 301 West First Street, Tustin, CA 92780 (714) 832-4811 **STATEMENT OF DAMAGES (Personal Injury or Wrongful death)** To: Jensina Fuerte Plaintiff: Marco Ruiz Seeks damages in the above entitled action, as follows:

1.General Damages Pain, suffering, and inconvenience \$25,000.00 **2.Special damages** A. Medical expenses (to date) \$10,000.00 B. Future medical expenses (present value) \$5,000.00 Date: 04.16.25 Trevor J. Herrera, Esq. **STATEMENT OF DAMAGES (Personal Injury or Wrongful death)** To: Jensina Fuerte Plaintiff: Maximiliano Ruiz Seeks damages in the above entitled action, as follows: **1.General Damages** Pain, suffering, and inconvenience \$25,000.00 **2.Special damages** A. Medical expenses (to date) \$10,000.00 B. Future medical expenses (present value) \$5,000.00 Date: 04.16.25 Trevor J. Herrera, Esq. Hawthorne Press Tribune Pub. 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15/24 **HH-28931**

Order to Show Cause for Change of Name Case No. 25TRCP00179 Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES Petition of: REGINALD ALBERT RICHARDSON for Change of Name TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner REGINALD ALBERT RICHARDSON filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: REGINALD ALBERT RICHARDSON to RICHARD ALLEN RICHARDSON The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Notice of Hearing: Date: June 13, 2025, Time: 8:30 AM., Dept. E. Room: 500 The address of the court is: TORRANCE COURTHOUSE 825 MAPLE AVE TORRANCE, CA 90503 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Torrance Tribune Date: April 8, 2025 Alan B. Honeycutt Judge of the Superior Court Torrance Tribune Pub. 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8/25 **HT-28923**

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: LAWRENCE LELAND LYNN CASE NO. 25STPB04189 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of LAWRENCE LELAND LYNN A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by STEVEN RAY LYNN in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that STEVEN RAY LYNN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 05/12/2025 at 8:30 AM in Dept. 62 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA, 90012. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state

your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney/knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner DMITRIY ARISTOV Forward Estate Planning 222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Suite 2000 El Segundo, CA 90245 424-259-3550 Torrance Tribune Pub. 4/24, 5/1, 5/8/15 **HT-28928**

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: MABLE JOYCE WRIGHT CASE NO. 25STPB04413 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of MABLE JOYCE WRIGHT aka MABLE J. WRIGHT aka MABLE NEAL WRIGHT A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JASON BERNARD WRIGHT SR. in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JASON BERNARD WRIGHT SR be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 5/19/2025 at 8:30 AM in Dept. 4 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS

ANGELES, CA, 90012. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney/knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner Caprice L. Collins Collins Law Group 3330 W Manchester Blvd. Inglewood CA, 90305 Inglewood Daily News Pub. 4/24, 5/1, 5/8/25 **HI-28933**

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: LELAND ANDERSON CASE NO. 25STPB04501 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of LELAND ANDERSON. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by NICOLE SCIACCA in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that NICOLE SCIACCA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 05/22/25 at 8:30AM in Dept. 62 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the

court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney/knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner MICHAEL CURLS - SBN 159651 LAW OFFICE OF MICHAEL J. CURLS 4340 LEIMERT BLVD, #200 LOS ANGELES CA 90008 Telephone (323) 293-2314 5/1, 5/8, 5/15/25 CNS-3920954# Hawthorne Press Tribune Pub. 5/1, 5/8, 5/15/25 **HH-28935**

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: ZULMI GARDIZI AKA ZULMI GARDEZI CASE NO. 25STPB03886 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of ZULMI GARDIZI AKA ZULMI GARDEZI. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by GULGHUTTI GARDIZI in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that SYD NESSARY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 05/19/25 at 8:30AM in Dept. 67 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may

be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney/knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner DANIEL C. HALES, ESQ. - SBN 146564 CITADEL LAW CORPORATION 2372 MORSE AVE IRVINE CA 92614 Telephone (949) 852-8181 BSC 226764 5/1, 5/8, 5/15/25 CNS-3919893# Hawthorne Press Tribune Pub. 5/1, 5/8, 5/15/25 **HH-28936**

NOTICE CALLING FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS District: HAWTHORNE SCHOOL DISTRICT Project Identification: Fresh Produce RFP No: FS25-26-3 Mandatory Pre-Bidders Conference May 8, 2025; 10:00 am Sharp! HSD Learning Center 13928 Komblum Ave., Hawthorne, CA 90250 Question Deadline for RFPs: May 14, 2025; 4:00 pm Sharp **RFPs DUE BY: May 27, 2025; 2:00 pm Sharp!** Submit Bids to: Hawthorne School District Attn: Aneska I. Kekula 13021 S. Yukon Ave., Hawthorne, CA 90250 Bidding Documents Available at: https://www.hawthornesd.org/departments/purchasing/bids Tentative Board Approval Date: June 11, 2025 **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Hawthorne School District of Los Angeles County, California, acting by and through its Governing Board, hereinafter referred to as the "Owner" or "District", will receive prior to the above stated time and date sealed proposals, for work generally described as: **Request for Proposals No. FS25-26-3 Fresh Produce.** All proposals shall be made and presented only on the forms presented by the Owner. RFPs shall be received in the **Office of the**

Hawthorne School District, Purchasing Department at 13021 S. Yukon Ave., Hawthorne, California 90250, at the above-stated time and place, and there will be no formal bid opening. Any proposal received after the time specified above or after any extensions due to material changes shall be returned unopened. There will be a mandatory **Pre-Bidders Conference on May 8, 2025, at 10:00 AM Sharp, at HSD Learning Center, 13928 Komblum Ave., Hawthorne, CA 90250.** Any Service Provider bidding on this RFP who fails to attend the entire mandatory conference will be deemed as a non-responsive Service Provider and will have its Proposal returned. It is each Service Provider's sole responsibility to ensure that their proposal is delivered on time and received at the location specified above. Any proposal received at the designated location after the scheduled closing time for receipt of proposals shall be returned to the Service Provider unopened. No Withdrawal of Proposals. No Service Provider shall withdraw its Proposal for a period of ninety (90) days after the award of the Contract by the District's Board of Trustees. During this time, all Service Providers shall guarantee prices quoted in their respective Proposals. Waiver of Irregularities. The District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, make an award, or make multiple awards, or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any

Proposal or in the bidding. Award of Contract: The Contract for the Work, if awarded, will be by action of the District's Board of Trustees to the Service Provider that meets the qualifications established by the RFP documents. Inquiries and Clarifications: The Service Provider is advised that all inquiries and clarifications about the RFP shall be submitted to the district in writing prior to the question deadline noted above. The District will respond at its earliest possible opportunity. Verbal communication by either party with regard to this RFP is invalid. Inquiries shall be sent in writing to Aneska I. Kekula at ikekula@hawthorne.k12.ca.us or mailed to Aneska I. Kekula, at Hawthorne School District, 13021 S. Yukon Ave., Hawthorne, CA 90250. Service Providers are solely responsible for ensuring that their written inquiry is received prior to this deadline, and the District is not responsible for any delays or errors in delivery. Service Providers are responsible for reviewing the district's websites and incorporating any and all clarifications provided therein into their proposals. Publications: HSD Website at http://www.hawthorne.k12.ca.us/Proposal Herald Publication: 1st Publication: May 1, 2025; 2nd Publication: May 8, 2025 Hawthorne Press Tribune Pub. 5/1, 5/8/25 **HH-28938**

Notice is hereby given, StorQuest Self Storage will sell at public sale by competitive bidding the personal property of: Kaleb Hafner Tiffany Davy Demetrius Huntsman Handanu Ardhatu LEONARD FULTON Michelle Bernard James Taylor Branden Lewis Property to be sold: misc. household goods, furniture, tools, clothes, boxes, toys, electronics, sporting goods, and personal content. Auction Company: www.StorageTreasures.com. The sale ends at 10:00 a.m., May 23rd, 2025, at the property where said property has been stored and which is located at StorQuest Self Storage 4959 W 147th St, Hawthorne, CA 90250. Goods must be paid in cash and removed at the time of sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. 5/8, 5/15/25 Hawthorne Press Tribune Pub 5/8, 5/15/25 **HH-28943**

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WHAT: County of Los Angeles residents will have the opportunity to safely dispose of household hazardous waste such as antifreeze, unused pharmaceuticals, car batteries, used motor oil, paint, pesticides, home-generated sharps waste such as hypodermic needles, pen needles, syringes, lancets, and intravenous needles, universal waste including household batteries, fluorescent light bulbs, and electronic waste (e-waste) such as TVs and monitors, computers, VCRs, stereos, and cell phones at the next free Countywide Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event.

WHO: The free Countywide Household Hazardous & E-Waste Collection Event Program is brought to residents by the County of Los Angeles and presented by Los Angeles County Public Works and Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts in cooperation with the City of Hawthorne and the neighboring cities of Carson, Compton, Culver City, El Segundo, Gardena, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Lawndale, Los Angeles, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, and Torrance.

WHERE: Betty Ainsworth Sports Center

3851 W. El Segundo Boulevard (El Segundo Boulevard and Doty Avenue) Hawthorne

WHEN: Saturday, September 20, 2025 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

WHY: Los Angeles County Public Works and Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts conduct more than 40 free Household Hazardous Waste & E-Waste Collection Events annually throughout the County to provide residents with a convenient way to rid their homes of unwanted hazardous materials. Because hazardous waste can pollute the environment, it is illegal to discard these items in trashcans, sinks and storm drains. The Collection Events are part of a campaign to promote public awareness of proper disposal practices of household hazardous and e-waste and to provide a convenient, free disposal option.

LINK:

For more information, go to: <https://www.lacsd.org/services/solid-waste/household-hazardous-waste-collection/hawthorne-09-20-25>

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SBWIB Awarded \$993,000 to Expand Opportunities for People with Disabilities

The South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) has been awarded a \$993,000 grant through California's Disability Access, Equity, and Inclusion (DAEI) Initiative, a statewide effort designed to break down barriers and expand employment opportunities for people with disabilities. This initiative, launched by the California Employment Development Department (EDD) and the Department of Rehabilitation (DOR), is part of a broader strategy to ensure individuals with disabilities have equitable access to the workforce services and career opportunities they deserve.

The funding will support individuals across the South Bay region through SBWIB's network of America's Job Centers of California (AJCCs). Participants will benefit from career counseling, vocational training, paid work experience, apprenticeships, supportive services, and employer connections that can lead to long-term, sustainable careers.

"This investment ensures that individuals with disabilities in our region have equitable access to training, support, and pathways into high-demand industries," said Jan Vogel, SBWIB Executive Director. "People with disabilities bring incredible talent and resilience

to the workforce, and with the right support, they can thrive in careers that strengthen our entire community."

Meeting a Critical Community Need

The South Bay region is home to more than 680,000 residents, and nearly 13%—or 88,000 people—identify as having a disability. Many face significant barriers to employment, including stigma, lack of accessible transportation, limited awareness of available programs, and employer bias. National data shows that people with disabilities are unemployed at nearly twice the rate of those without disabilities.

By investing in targeted outreach, inclusive services, and partnerships, SBWIB aims to close this gap and create new pipelines into industries such as healthcare, manufacturing, aerospace, digital media, and education.

How the Program Works

Through the DAEI grant, SBWIB will expand inclusive services across its four AJCCs in Inglewood, Carson, Gardena, and Torrance. These centers will serve as hubs where individuals with disabilities can receive personalized support, explore career

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Entertainment

Check It Out

Reflection: A Twisted Tale by Elizabeth Lim

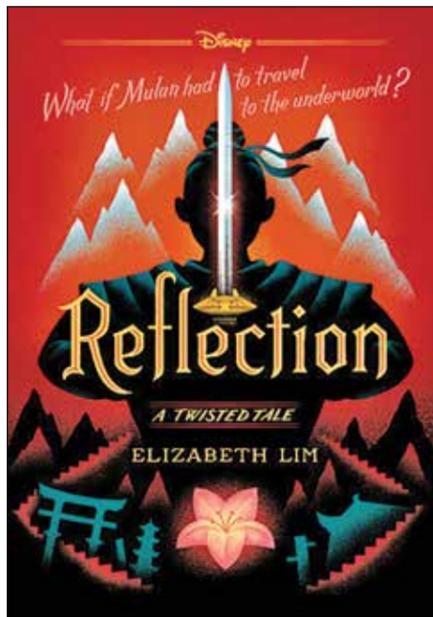
By Kim Harris, El Segundo Middle School Library Assistant El Segundo Middle School

Reflection: A Twisted Tale by Elizabeth Lim is a reimagining of Mulan's story after the snowstorm and the fight against the Huns takes place in the Disney movie *Mulan*. It is a middle grade/YA book with many plot twists and turns and integrates Chinese Mythology throughout the book. If you have seen the movie *Mulan*, you know that she disguises herself as a boy to fight in her father's place against the Huns. She learns how to fight, makes friends within her unit, and secretly falls in love with her Captain, Shang. When Captain Shang is mortally wounded protecting Ping (Mulan's alias in the Imperial Army) by Shan Yu in battle, Mulan must travel to the Underworld, Diyu, to save Shang from death. However, King Yama, the ruler of Diyu, will not willingly give Shang up. Every soldier and Chinese family have a guardian. Mu Shu the dragon is Mulan's guardian and ShiShi the stone lion is Shang's family's guardian. ShiShi and Mulan travel to Diyu to retrieve Shang's spirit and must escape by sunrise or become King Yama's prisoner forever.

Mulan blames herself for Shang's mortal death because Shan Yu meant to kill her. Shang stepped in front of her and took the blow rather than letting Mulan die. After dragging Shang across China to travel to the Royal Palace, Shang suffers while dying. ShiShi, Shang's guardian lion, teams up with Mulan to travel

to the Underworld Diyu to save Shang's soul. She encounters many obstacles and goddesses along the way to find Shang. The demons and others who inhabit Diyu try very hard to stop Mulan from rescuing Shang. They make her go through mazes, try to trick her and lead her astray. The Goddess of Forgetfulness, Meng Po, tries many times to convince Mulan that she needs to leave and let Shang stay in Diyu. She shows Mulan illusions of home and tries to get Mulan to drink tea that makes you forget everything in the past. Mulan doesn't fall for it and escapes with Shang and ShiShi's help.

My favorite part of the book is when Mulan meets her ancestors, Ren, Mei and Liwei. They help her along her journey and remind her that her family is always nearby and supportive in her decisions. Mulan managed to fool everyone in Diyu disguised as Ping. When Meng Po and Li Shang find out about her deception, both are surprised and dismayed that they didn't see through the disguise. Mulan harbors a lot of self-doubt throughout the book. She knows she made the right decision pretending to be Ping to protect her father but is fearful of the reactions and consequences she must face when returning home. How does Mulan deal with her deception? Do others understand her decision? Read the book to find out! I really enjoyed the integration of Chinese mythology and the continuation of the story of Mulan. Because I am not familiar with Chinese mythology, it was nice to read more about it and learn about Chinese culture. If you like the movie *Mulan*, this is the book for you! *Reflection: A Twisted Tale* and other books are available for checkout utilizing your library card. Check out the library to find a great book! •



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Kali Hotel and Rooftop Has Been Topped Off



The ceremonial steel beam was raised, signaling completion of the building's structural frame. This new landmark will come to life ahead of premier sporting events in 2027 and beyond. Hollywood Park, where people can live, work, play and soon stay. Photo courtesy Hollywood Park Facebook page.

metro.net/clineext

Next stop: more rail in the South Bay.

The Final EIR for the C Line Extension to Torrance Project is Now Available

Metro has released the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the C Line (Green) Extension to Torrance Project. The Final EIR addresses more than 2,000 public comments submitted during the Draft EIR review period.

What's Next?

Metro will collect and compile public input on the project to share with the Metro Board before the Board takes an action on the project. At a public meeting, anticipated in fall 2025, the Metro Board will vote to consider certification of the Final EIR and approval of the project.

Please sign up for updates, learn more, view the Final EIR, and stay engaged by visiting metro.net/clineext. Share your comments on the project through the following channels:

- > **Email:** greenlineextension@metro.net
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C LINE EXTENSION TO TORRANCE

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pathways, and access training that leads to employment.

Participants will be offered:

- One-on-one job coaching to match interests and skills with career opportunities.
- Employer engagement opportunities that introduce participants to companies committed to inclusive hiring.
- Paid work experience, internships, and apprenticeships to build real-world skills.
- Supportive services such as stipends, technology, and accommodations to overcome barriers to participation.

A key element of the initiative is SBWIB's partnership with the Department of Rehabilitation (DOR). Together, SBWIB and DOR will co-enroll participants, streamline services, and provide benefits counseling so individuals can make informed decisions about work, training, and long-term career planning.

Building Inclusive Career Pathways

The project will also expand partnerships with local colleges, nonprofits, and employers to create inclusive career pathways. El Camino College and West Los Angeles College will provide accessible vocational training and connect students with disabilities to job opportunities. Community-based organizations

will help with outreach to underrepresented populations, while employers will play an advisory role to ensure training aligns with industry needs.

SBWIB will also host employer inclusion training, helping companies better understand workplace accommodations. "Employer awareness is one of the biggest barriers people with disabilities face," Vogel said. "By working directly with businesses, we can create more welcoming workplaces and open doors for qualified, talented individuals."

A Lasting Impact

The \$993,000 grant will have an immediate and long-term impact. Hundreds will benefit through co-enrollment with other SBWIB and DOR programs. Beyond the grant period, SBWIB will leverage additional funding to sustain services, ensuring individuals with disabilities can continue to access opportunities for years to come.

"This is more than a grant—it's a statement of values," Vogel emphasized. "It says that California is serious about these programs, and that the SBWIB is committed to being a model for how workforce systems can meet the needs of every resident."

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