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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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As an organization involved in workforce development, PVJOBS is very aware of higher than average unemployment rates in our county - 5.5% nationally, 6.4% in Los Angeles County. We attend job fairs where three or four thousand job seekers show up looking for work. We regularly hear the difficult, often heart wrenching stories from clients about their need for meaningful employment.

Yet, there are jobs available. Green technology is opening a plethora of doors for qualified individuals. Projections indicate that medical professionals will continue to be in high demand for many years to come. Other projected high growth career paths include teachers, cooks, paralegals, network/computer administrators, and many other professional and service vocations. Filling these positions will lead to meaningful career-track employment opportunities that will increase our tax base and economic growth.

We must invest in the future by ensuring that educational facilities are available to train the workforce of the 21st Century. In November 2008, voters will have a chance to vote on a Los Angeles Community College District bond (Proposition J) for improvements at their nine community college campuses. Hundreds of thousands of students depend on the District to develop new careers to support themselves

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LABORERS UNION PUTS PVJOBS TO WORK

In the construction industry, laborers are often known for doing the hard, dirty and sometimes dangerous work. But to succeed in a well-paying career as a laborer, it takes more than physical strength. It also requires intelligence and skill.

Aware of the construction industry's demand for skilled laborers, PVJOBS has served as a longtime partner of Laborers Union Local



The Local 300 team gathers before the union's headquarters.

300, one of the nation's fastest growing construction unions. Because of this partnership, hundreds of PVJOBS workers have become members of the union.

"Sometimes in life, people make mistakes and the doors shut on them - even if they have become responsible and truly want to change," says Local 300 Business Manager Sergio Rascon. "But if you employ people based on their records, how are they going to get off the streets and into the workforce?"

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"Green Jobs" Means New Opportunities for California Construction Workers - People around the world are facing the fact that our over-consumption and negligent energy policies have left our planet in peril. As a result, California is now in the process of implementing AB32, its Global Warming Legislation. At the national level, laws

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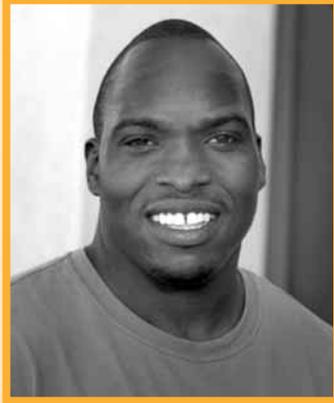
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DAWONE HAZZARD: Beating The Odds

When 36-year-old Dawone Hazzard was offered a first stage laborer apprentice job at Playa Vista's Dorian project last spring, he was warned that it would be grueling. "Most guys would quit, but I love my job" says Hazzard, who's often required to carry 90-pound boxes up several flights of stairs. "It's a challenge, yet I'm in it for the long haul."



Dawone Hazzard

Hazzard's positive attitude comes from a motivation that is rooted in redemption. Recently released from a long-term prison sentence, Hazzard is determined to beat the odds of an ex-offender, whatever the costs. "Everyone told me this was a difficult job. And it is," he says. "But considering my past, I'm determined to make it."

Raised in South Central Los Angeles, Hazzard and his older brother grew up close to both of their parents, even after they divorced when he was 12. But because of the negative influences of his tough environment, he joined a gang just two years later and eventually dropped out of high school. Amassing a felony record by age 22, Hazzard was sentenced to a 13-year prison sentence for committing burglary. While many would become embittered by this sentence, he used the experience to serve as a lifelong lesson.

After his release, he searched for ways to start his life over. He sought direction from Unity Three, a local community center that provides resources for at-risk residents. Because of his history, Unity Three referred him to PVJOBS, and Hazzard wasted no time in arranging a meeting. "At first I was just looking for a job," he says. "After PVJOBS influenced me to join the laborers union, I began seeing this as a career opportunity."

Within weeks, he was hired as a laborer for Selectile of California, a union signatory tile company specializing in multi-story construction projects. Since working with Selectile, Hazzard has been a stand-out employee who faces his physically demanding assignments head on.

Hazzard says that his philosophy for succeeding is focusing on defying the limitations that society often places on people with an at-risk past. "When you've come from my experience, people expect you to fail," he explains. "But that just makes me want to succeed even more."

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Apprenticeship Program Executive Director Scott Gordon greets a participating apprentice.

Many PVJOBS candidates have received training experience by enrolling in the union's nationally recognized apprenticeship program, which has a retention and graduation rate that is among the highest in the country.

"People want to partner with us because we offer the best product on the market," says Laborers Apprenticeship Program Executive Director Scott Gordon. "We graduate 400 apprentices to journeyman status each year and we maintain an 80% retention rate."

What has made the union's partnership with PVJOBS so successful is that they make preparation the mantle of their training program. Rascon adds, "It's our job to get people ready to start when the clock strikes."



Local 300 Business Manager Sergio Rascon presents a contractors award to a McCarthy Building Companies representative.

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like the Green Jobs Act (HR2847) have been authorized and are pending appropriation.

Fortunately, a number of forward-thinking activists and organizations are busy figuring out ways to turn these problems into solutions. They want to address our need to clean up the planet and create jobs that offer competitive salaries and long-lasting careers for local and low-

PVJOBS Stats (as of 6/15/08)

Project	Goal	Current Attainment
Playa Vista	10% at-risk	12.9%
LACCD Proposition A&AA Bond	30% local	32%
LACCD Proposition A&AA Bond	6% at-risk	9%

PVJOBS Overall Performance

General Program	1,506
Build LACCD (construction)	451
Build LACCD (interns)	380

income residents. In the construction industry, that means increased opportunities for workers to install solar panels, retrofit buildings and bridges, construct new transit lines and water treatment plants, build green rooftops, and much more.

PVJOBS - in conjunction with the Los Angeles Community College District, Build-LACCD Program Management, and the Green Technology's College Summit - are hosting a Green Job Fair and Workforce Development Event on October 8, 2008. Those that attend this event will have the opportunity to learn about green jobs and careers in a variety of industries.

For additional information on the Green Job Fair and Workforce Development Event, please contact Michael Flores at (213) 996-2533. For ongoing information regarding careers in the construction trades unions, please contact PVJOBS Union Liaison Jeffery Henderson at (310) 590-1217.

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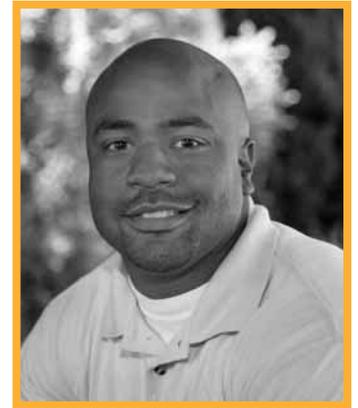
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and their families. But some District campuses still use 35-year-old bungalows as classrooms and have grossly outdated facilities.

It is clear that these are difficult fiscal times for all Americans. However, it is precisely when we are in times of high need that we must invest in our collective future. Our community college system is often the only affordable resource for training in these critical high growth industries. I encourage all of you to consider a "Yes" vote on this important bond measure in November.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW? Rob Dates

On Site profiled Rob Dates in spring 2005 - the same year that he was honored with the PVJOBS Employee of the Year award. Since working as a laborer for Colich & Sons, his hard work has earned him a new career with Laborers Local 300, which hired him last March to become a Marketing Representative for its apprenticeship training school. We recently spoke with Dates to learn about his new position and how he earned it. Here's what he shared with us:



Rob Dates

On Site: What is your new job role with the laborers union?

Dates: As a Marketing Representative for the union's apprenticeship training program, I meet with signatory contractors to tell them about the training school and make sure they comply with state requirements.

On Site: How did you capture the union's attention?

Dates: I've been a union member for the past five years, and I proved myself by being professional and standing out in my work. For example, I'd work hard enough to convince my employer to extend my job assignments.

On Site: Why did the union think you were the right person for the job?

Dates: They said they felt I'd fit the job perfectly because of how fast and effective I worked in my previous laborer assignments. And I could use my experience to tell contractors how positive the union and its training program have been in my life.

On Site: How has the union impacted your career?

Dates: It's been a blessing. It's allowed me to expand and grow in my expertise in the trade.

INSPIRATIONAL CORNER

The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.

~ Martin Luther King, Jr.

PVJOBS Community Partners

APPRENTICE PREPARATION PROGRAMS

Abram Friedman Occupational Center (Ray Wilcox)	(213) 765-2567
Century Community Training Program (Mary Lou Clinkenbeard)	(310) 673-3941
Los Angeles Technology Center (Latasha Hawthorne)	(323) 732-0153

WORKSOURCE CENTERS

Career Planning Center Marina Worksource (Nick Gonzalez)	(310) 309-6000
Career Transition Worksource Center (George Fernandez)	(562) 570-3700
Chinatown WorkSource Center Chinatown Service Center (Kerry Situ)	(213) 808-1700
Community Career Dev.Cntr Wilsh/Metro Worksource (Monica Picot)	(213) 365-9829
Compton Career Link Worksource California Center (Henry Smith)	(310) 605-3050
Hollywood Worksource of California (Marjorie Gardner)	(323) 960-1300
Metro North Worksource Center (Anna Zakarian)	(323) 223-1211
Northeast San Fernando Valley WorkSource Center (Sheila Wright)	(818) 890-9400
PACE/Westlake Worksource Center (Albert Sy)	(213) 353-1677
South LA WorkSource Center Community Centers Inc. (Aureliano Galvez)	(323) 752-2115
Urban League Adams Baldwin Hills Wrksrce Cntr (Myrna Anguiano)	(323) 732-7867
Urban League WorkSource Business and Career Center (Annita Wallace)	(323) 600-1106
WLCAC Southeast LA-Watts Worksource Center (Victor Archaga)	(323) 563-566

YOUTH AND ADULT PROGRAMS

Il People Christian Center (Saundra Bryant)	(213) 747-6357
Anchor of Hope (Sandra Lewis)	(310) 516-1433
Belmont Education and Career Center (Deborah R. Deveres)	(213) 689-2270
Canaan Housing Corporation (Brenda Evans)	(213) 748-0250
CCFP/ Meals on Wheels for Children (Sandra Moore)	(323) 638-0760
Chrysalis Los Angeles (Michael Graff-Weisner)	(213) 806-6300
Chrysalis Santa Monica (Adelai Whitman)	(310) 392-4117
Coaliton for Responsible Community Development (Mark A. Wilson)	(213) 743-6193
Communities in Schools (Roy LaVoise)	(818) 891-9399
Community Build (Babatu Bektamba)	(323) 789-9950
Community Outreach and Opportunity Programs (CO-OP) (Sharma Henderson)	(310) 649-1016
CRTD Faithworks (David Richardson)	(310) 673-0287
DARE U TOCARE (Sabrina Parker)	(323) 756-3208
Dayle McIntosh Center (John Tostado)	(714) 658-4281
Ex-Offender Action Network (Monnie Anderson)	(323) 238-0445
FAME Renaissance Assistance Corporation (Dwayne Price)	(323) 730-8354
Gratitude Retreat Foundation (Steven Nelson)	(310) 618-9173
Homies Unidos, Inc. (Alex Sanchez)	(213) 383-7484
Housing Authority of LA (Judy Rasheed)	(213) 252-1800
Human Pontential Consultants,LLC (Deidre Norville)	(310) 756-1560
Jobs for the Future/Homeboy Industries (Ft. Greg Boyle SJ)	(323) 526-1254
Joint Efforts Inc. (Matt Davison)	(310) 831-2358
Korean Churches For Community Development (Hyepin Im)	(213) 984-4243
LA Family Housing Corporation (Abel Moreno)	(818) 982-4091

LA Works (Salvador R. Velasquez)	(626) 960-3964
LACOE (Nathan Auzenne)	(213) 744-3168
Mar Vista Family Center (Pedro Valenciana)	(310) 390-9607
Marriott Foundation Bridges (Tad Asbury)	(213) 381-1220
Meaning and Purpose (Ted Moore)	(323) 296-2553
NABSIO Nahaniel (Rashad Ali)	(323) 755-6024
New Directions (Brigitte Slayton)	(310) 914-4045
PATH (Jonathan Bennett)	(323) 644-2272
PATH Achieve Glendale (Catherine Conerly)	(818) 409-3333
Pico Youth & Family Center (Michael Jackson)	(310) 396-7101
Public Allies of Los Angeles (Ernesto Saldaña)	(213) 741-2202
Raevery's Resource Center (Luis Pattarroyo)	(323) 752-9987
Save Our Future (Ken Jordan)	(323) 234-0846
SCHARP (South Central Health & Rehabilitation Program) (Denise Shook)	(323) 751-3026
St. Vincent's Cardinal Manning Center (Chuck Happold)	(213) 229-9963
Strategic Actions for a Just Economy (SAJE) (Samantha Quintero)	(213) 745-9961
Success in Challenges (Leon Mosely)	(562) 423-8111
Transitions Network (Eimon M. Raooif)	(323) 751-1366
UJCC/ City of Refuge (Jean Franklin)	(323) 803-4066
Union Rescue Mission (Stephen Mitchell)	(213) 347-6300
Unity One (Bo Taylor)	(213) 963-5843
Unity T.H.R.E.E (Shonteze Williams Sr.)	(323) 732-0230
USVETS (Katherine Gibbs)	(310) 348-7600
US VETS (Long Beach) (Fernando Godinez)	(562) 388-8046
Venice 2000 (Melvin Hayward)	(310) 823-6100
VIP Mentors (Volunteers In Parole, Inc.) (Pal Roman)	(626) 450-6250
Volunteers of America (Mark Jackson)	(213) 689-2179
Walden House Inc. (Ralph Mendoza)	(310) 412-3702
Walden House SASCA Region 111 (Sal Wilson)	(213) 741-3720
Weingart Center Association (Ronnie Price)	(213) 267-9000
Youngjobs.com (Billy Hadala)	(888) 717-5627 X104
Youth Rebuild (Victoria Foreman)	(310) 600-6201

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Archdiocesan Youth Employment Services (Robert Gutierrez)	(213) 736-5456
CCEO Youth Build (Joe Starks)	(310) 225-3060
Covenant House of California (Lori Koenig)	(323) 957-7455
Goals For Life (Reggie Berry)	(562) 864-6040
LaCausa Youth Build (Noemi G. Soto)	(323) 887-2501
Los Angeles Conservation Corps Youth Build (Gabriela Jimenez)	(213) 749-3601
LA Youth At Work (Sean Jernigan)	(213) 580-7505
Los Angeles Youth Opportunity Movement - Watts (Adrian Veliz)	(323) 971-7640
United Friends of the Children (Carla Palmer)	(213) 580-1850
Venice Community Housing Corporation Youth Build (Sandy Eiges)	(310) 399-4100
Youth Oppurtunities Unlimited Inc. (James L. Watson)	(323) 789-4977

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