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Youth Opportunities Unlimited Inc. (James L. Watson)	(323) 789-4977

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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Ernest Roberts
Executive Director, PVJOBS

*The gem cannot be polished without friction,
nor the man be perfected without trials.*
– Danish Proverb

The last recovery program I was in nearly 20 years ago in Warm Springs consisted of daily 12-step meetings, work assignments and group therapy. I remember a brief encounter with the program director, Dr. Potter, as he sat in on one of our group sessions. We were all sharing some of our most intimate thoughts and experiences, many of which were despairing and even appalling. I glanced over at Dr. Potter and wondered what he was thinking – this educated, suit-and-tie man who had never experienced what was being laid out before him. So I asked him. He replied that he was jealous of all of us.

Dr. Potter didn't have to expound on this statement, though he did, because I knew what he meant. There is potential for great self discovery in adversity. Whether self inflicted or cast upon by life's circumstances, adversity forces us to move from a comfortable state of mind to finding answers and reexamining our lives. In the process of this discovery, an awareness is born and new appreciations are forged from the furnace of despair. We can emerge victorious and

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PVJOBS & Mayor to Welcome Public at Jan. 25 Grand Opening

Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa will join labor, business and community leaders at a grand opening event celebrating the brand new headquarters of the PVJOBS Program. The grand opening ceremonies will take place at 9 am on Monday, January 25 at the new PVJOBS building located at 4112 S. Main Street in Los Angeles.



A front building view of the new headquarters for PVJOBS.

During the grand opening ceremonies, PVJOBS supporters will cut the ribbon in front of the building, marking the official opening of the 12,500 square foot facility. Immediately following the ceremonies, the general public is invited to tour the building during an Open House until 5 pm.

The fully renovated building includes an expanded resource center for community members to perform self-directed job searches. The

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PVJOBS Employment Update

The union halls still have substantial numbers of out-of-work members on the bench due to a lack of construction activity. This has made new entry into unions difficult and competitive. However, we are still managing to assist some with union entry. We have focused our attention on employment beyond construction and have had some success.

The Census Bureau will be conducting testing for upcoming

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BRITENEY JONES: Taking Care Of Business

As an electrical trainee working at the Playa Vista site, 22-year-old Briteney Jones isn't bothered by being the lone female on her crew. "I don't mind being the only woman on my job," says Jones, who works for Sasco Electric. "As long as I can learn, I'm fine."



Briteney Jones

A promising electrician, Jones was handpicked by the National Association of Minority Contractors to receive a commendation and scholarship for her apprenticeship endeavor. The award has fueled her ambition to make her mark in life, a drive she's had since growing up in a tough neighborhood in South Central Los Angeles. "Where I lived, no one was doing anything for themselves," she says. "I wanted more."

Raised by her mother and grandmother, Jones struggled to get a good education in her local schools. So her mother arranged for her to be bused over an hour away to a high school in the San Fernando Valley. Feeling isolated and burned out from the long commute, Jones eventually dropped out, opting to earn her GED while living on her own. To support herself, she worked in a wide range of jobs – from a housekeeper to a security guard. But each job left her feeling aimless.

One day while on duty at her security job, she had an epiphany. She remembered as a small child how much she and her little brother enjoyed taking apart things and fixing them around the house. That gave her the idea to enroll in a trade school to become an electrician. Even though she worked the graveyard shift, she attended trade school classes each weekday morning for the next year.

However, within days of receiving her electricians certificate, she was laid off from her security job. Unable to find work, she was forced to live on food stamps to buy groceries. When she visited an unemployment center, she learned about PVJOBS by browsing their website. "I saw that PVJOBS was helping women get apprenticeships," she says. "So I went to an orientation." Two weeks later, she was offered an electrical trainee position.

Newly married, Jones says she and her husband are putting off having children so she can concentrate on pursuing her career. "I'm focusing on finishing my apprenticeship first," she says. "Right now I'm just excited about working and taking care of business."



PVJOBS Executive Director Ernest Roberts is shown in their state-of-the-art conference room.

resource center will provide individuals with free access to 15 internet accessible computers, phones, faxes, resume preparation software, and job postings.

Designed by RAW International and built by Swinerton Builders, the green-friendly facility has been renovated to receive a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification. For more information about the grand opening event, please call the PVJOBS office at (323) 432-3955.



PVJOBS staffers are seated together in their new building.

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stronger. It can be a most beautiful experience.

Yes, I understood what Dr. Potter meant. What's more, I look upon those that are just entering recovery with some envy myself these days. I wonder whether they know that they're on the roller coaster ride of their lives that can ultimately lead to nirvana, if they stay the course.

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positions at our new location (4112 S. Main Street in Los Angeles) on Tuesday, January 12 at 11 am and 3 pm. Pay for these temporary positions range from \$12.50 to \$20.00 per hour. Clients must pre-register, complete a PVJOBS application for referral prior to the test date, and bring a drivers license and social security card or passport. PVJOBS will host a brief preparatory course prior to the exam on Monday, January 11. To register or to get more information, please contact Angelique Agolora at (323) 432-3981.

PVJOBS Stats (as of 12/16/09)

Project	Goal	Current Attainment
Playa Vista	10% at-risk	12.7%
LACCD Proposition A&AA Bond	30% local	29%
LACCD Proposition A&AA Bond	6% at-risk	9%

PVJOBS Placements	
General Program	1,761
Build LACCD (construction)	940
Build LACCD (interns)	887

Our PVJOBS Resource Center is now open and provides a facility for the general public to perform free self-directed job searches. Internet access, faxes, phones, printing, resume preparation software, and links to employment search engines as well as job postings are now available at our new facility.

Inspirational Corner

If you don't know where you are going,
you'll end up someplace else.

~ Yogi Berra ~

There is no happiness
except in the realization that we have
accomplished something.

~ Henry Ford ~

Students Get Real World Experience with Interns Program

As a freshman at Los Angeles Southwest College, 18-year-old Bennie Oakley initially struggled to pay his tuition. But an internship program not only helped him earn money for college, but also gave him the real world experience he needs as a business management student.

Oakley works as an office clerk at the college's career center, a paid internship that he received through the Los Angeles Community College District Interns Program. The internship program helps students attending the District's nine colleges to gain valuable work experience by placing them in paid internships that represent their field of study.

"This internship has been good because it's helped me pay for my

tuition and books," says Oakley. "It's also giving me work experience and helping me to improve my communications skills."

Oakley says his educational and career aspirations are especially important given what his father instilled in him. "My dad taught me to stay in school and get an education," says Oakley, whose father died unex-



Karla Lagunas is shown on internship duty at the campus career center's office.

pectedly from a massive heart attack in 2005. "He inspired me to go to college and earn my degree."

Southwest College student Karla Lagunas applied for an internship to move her closer to her career dream of becoming a business executive. "This job helps me learn about business now so I can have the experience for my next job," says Lagunas, who also interns as an office clerk at the same career center.

Lagunas feels like the experience she gains is even more rewarding than the financial benefits. "I'm not here just for the money," says the 20-year-old sophomore. "I'm here because I really like my job and helping people."



Intern Bennie Oakley is seated behind his desk at the campus career center.