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Connecting Communities to Careers: The PVJOBS Mission in Action



At PVJOBS, we know that a job is more than a paycheck — it's a foundation for hope, stability, and transformation. Our mission is rooted in the belief that everyone deserves a second chance and the opportunity to build a better future. That's why we work every day to connect individuals from under served and at-risk communities to meaningful careers that lead to long-term success. By breaking down barriers to employment and opening doors to opportunity, we're not only changing lives — we're helping to rebuild communities from the inside out. This is how we turn potential into progress.



CREATIVE VISION FOR 2025



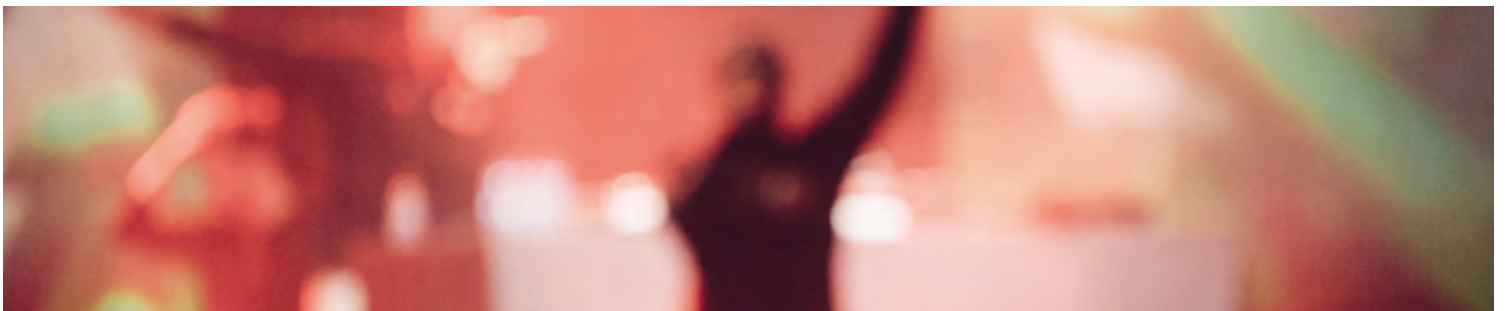
K-BOY Creative Director

Meet K-Boy: A Decade in the Making

K-Boy started making music professionally at 18, teaming up with Glasses Malone on the track *Blu Division*, which tied him to the legendary Black Wall Street movement. At the time, he was also part of a rap group called The Black Boys. As life took everyone in different directions, K-Boy stayed committed to the craft—learning to write his own songs and find his voice as a solo artist.

Ten years later, that dedication paid off. He's worked with some of the West Coast's most respected names, including Nipsey Hussle, Kendrick Lamar, Joe Moses, and Pleasure P. Today, K-Boy is a true example of what it means to evolve, stay consistent, and carve your own path in music.

“We’re building the music side and opening up the podcast—shout-out to Miss Mary for believing in the vision.”



K-BOY : CREATIVE DIRECTOR



Welcome to PVJOBS

Thanks to a friend already connected with PVJOBS, K-Boy was invited to be part of the podcast. After visiting the organization, he saw real potential in what PVJOBS was building. In December 2024, he organized a toy drive—something he had always wanted to do for his neighborhood. It was an instant success, drawing over 200 attendees and giving away more than 200 toys. The event featured performances by Ralfy the Plug and others, creating a memorable community moment. Now, with his experience, vision, and drive, K-Boy serves as the Creative Director of the Media Pathway Program at PVJOBS.



K-Boy's Path of Progress

K-Boy has been an incredible asset to PVJOBS, creating unforgettable opportunities for the Media Pathway program. He led the group to meet Blacc Sam, who generously donated over \$20,000 worth of Marathon Clothing, and gave students exclusive access to the legendary 1500 or Nothin studio—home to hits from Beyoncé, Britney Spears, Jay-Z, Bruno Mars, and Nipsey Hussle. K-Boy also helped organize a trip to Arizona, where participants interviewed members of the Arizona Cardinals and filmed a music video, turning a learning experience into a truly inspiring journey.

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BUILDING BRIDGES: NEW CONTACTS & RESOURCES



Los Padrinos

Dedicated to rehabilitating and empowering justice-involved youth in Los Angeles County. As part of the Los Angeles County Probation Department, Los Padrinos supports career readiness and reentry success through education, mentorship, and skill-building programs. By collaborating with PVJOBS, Los Padrinos helps connect youth with meaningful employment opportunities, providing a pathway to stability, personal growth, and a brighter future.

Barry J. Nidorf

Supporting at-risk and justice-involved youth throughout Los Angeles County. Operated by the LA County Probation Department, BJNJH focuses on rehabilitation through education, vocational training, and positive mentorship. Through its partnership with PVJOBS, Barry J. Nidorf connects young individuals with employment pathways that foster long-term stability, community reintegration, and opportunities for meaningful change.



Camp Kilpatrick

offers a supportive environment focused on education, life skills, and therapeutic programs. Through its collaboration with PVJOBS, Camp Kilpatrick helps prepare youth for successful reentry by connecting them with job readiness training and meaningful employment opportunities that promote long-term success and personal growth.

Empowering Futures: Our LAUSD Cal Burke Collaboration

LAUSD CAL BURKE

Hard Hats, Bright Futures: Cal Burke Partnership

We are incredibly grateful to Cal Burke High School for their invaluable partnership and support in helping us bring our Carpentry Program to life. Through this collaboration, students enrolled in the program have the unique opportunity to gain hands-on experience in the carpentry trade, connect with industry professionals, and earn recognized credentials—all while working toward their high school diploma. This initiative represents a powerful blend of education and career training, and it's a model PVJOBS is excited to expand. What makes this partnership truly special is the shared commitment to empowering youth with practical skills and real-world pathways to success. We thank Cal Burke High School for believing in our mission and helping us build brighter futures—one student at a time.



From Ashes to Action: LA Fire Clean-Up



UCLA Labor Occupational Safety & Health Program

LOSH remains deeply committed to protecting the rights and safety of all workers affected by wildfires and their aftermath. Thanks to our valued partnership with UCLA, we have the opportunity to collaborate directly with LOSH, allowing our students to earn their HAZWOPER certification and gain critical training in hazardous waste operations and emergency response.



HAZWOPER Program

UCLA-LOSH equips our students with an intensive 40-hour HAZWOPER training course, opening doors to real job opportunities in wildfire cleanup efforts across Los Angeles. Through this program, students gain essential knowledge and hands-on skills—learning everything from proper PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) use to safety protocols needed for hazardous work environments. This training not only prepares them for immediate employment but also empowers them to step confidently into high-demand careers that make a real impact in their communities.

Phase 2 Fire Cleanup: Turning Training Into Action

Thanks to the overwhelming success of the program, several of our participants have earned placement in Los Angeles' wildfire cleanup efforts—an incredible milestone that reflects both their hard work and the strength of our training. These individuals not only completed rigorous coursework, including their 40-hour HAZWOPER certification, but also demonstrated the dedication, skill, and readiness needed to step into real-world, high-impact roles. Their transition from the classroom to the field marks a powerful example of what's possible when education, opportunity, and determination come together. We couldn't be more proud of their achievement and are excited to see the difference they'll make in their communities through this vital recovery work.



PVJobs Pathways: Real Stories, Real Impact

At PVJOBS, we proudly recognize the hard work and success of the young individuals who rise above challenges to achieve their goals. We are committed to showcasing these powerful success stories as a testament to what's possible through opportunity, dedication, and support.



Meet Our Success Story: Danny Kayumba

Originally from Houston, TX, Danny Kayumba is a proud graduate of PVJOBS' March 2025 cohort. Introduced to the program by a friend, Danny committed himself to four months of intensive training, ultimately earning his construction certificate. Today, he's secured a full-time position with the Union — a major step forward in his career.

"I'm truly thankful for all the help and support PVJOBS gave me — not just professionally, but emotionally, too. With their guidance, I was able to earn my certificate, and from day one, they welcomed me with open arms."

- Danny Kayumba

We are beyond proud of Danny's accomplishments and can't wait to see him apply all that he's learned as he builds a brighter future.

"Danny came into PVJOBS with focus, determination, and a willingness to grow. He showed up every single day, did the work, and fully embraced the process — even when it got tough. His dedication over those four months truly paid off. Today, he's stepping into a new chapter as a Skilled Labor Fire Technician, and that's no small achievement. It's a direct result of his persistence and commitment to bettering himself. I couldn't be more proud to see him succeed, and I have no doubt he'll continue to make an impact wherever he goes."

— Aaron Thum, SR. Program Manager, PVJOBS

GRADUATION

GRADUATING CLASS – MARCH 2025



CONGRATS!

Taylor Molson
Dameon Ellis
Jesse Thomas
Justin Johnson
Jahmar Buchanan
Richard Ruvalcava
Joshua Coulter
Justin Hamer
Janiel Arnold
Lejohn Johnson
Anthony Duran
Ryan Fleming
Emonnie Walden
Amari Howell
George Bhimji IV
Isaac Levingston
Will Atkins

Hatch Young Adult 4.0 Graduates

We are incredibly proud of the Hatch Young Adult 4.0 graduates for their hard work, dedication, and determination throughout the program. Each graduate successfully completed the course with an industry-recognized certification, their OSHA 10 safety credential, and a strong foundation of hands-on carpentry experience. Their growth and commitment reflect the true spirit of Hatch—equipping young adults with the skills, confidence, and qualifications needed to thrive in the workforce. We celebrate their achievements and look forward to seeing the impact they will make in their communities and beyond.



Faces of PVJOBS Celebrating Our People & Purpose



Speaking Up for Opportunity: *PVJOBS at the Board of Supervisors*

Team PVJOBS took a group of students to the L.A. County Board of Supervisors to peacefully demonstrate in support of the LA:RISE program. The demonstration aimed to oppose proposed cuts and highlight the program's vital role in addressing homelessness and supporting individuals with employment barriers. LA:RISE provides access to jobs, training, and essential support services—making a meaningful impact in our community. We were proud to take our students and stand together in support of a program that helps change lives.

At PVJOBS, we're committed to always doing our best for our students, our people, and the communities we serve. The faces of PVJOBS reflect strength, resilience, and hope—and it's their stories that inspire everything we do. We deeply love our community, and while growth takes time, we're proud of the steady progress we're making together. Every step forward is a testament to our shared commitment to building brighter futures.



Join The Community



Volunteer!

Make An Impact!



- One-time volunteer
- Join a volunteer program
- Host an event

Become A Donor!

By investing in the future of at-risk individuals, you'll help PVJOBS change lives while building stronger communities.



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