



Grant Program:	Healthcare Sector and Other High Growth and Emerging Industries
Grantee Name:	Los Rios Community College District
Grantee City/State:	Sacramento, CA
Grant Award Amount:	\$4,988,561
Initial Period of Performance:	March 2010 - February 2013
Project Name:	The Los Rios Community College District HealthForce Project: A project designed to teach workers necessary skills for, and help them pursue careers in, high growth health care sector jobs.
Project Description:	The grantee will establish the HealthForce Institute of workforce development programs and services supporting the health care industry in the greater Sacramento region. The HealthForce Initiative will maintain an already increased rate of production of Registered Nurses to address the region’s chronic shortage of nurses. The project will also improve the employability of new nurse graduates, nurses returning to the workplace, and returning veterans with health care skills, by offering “nursing residency” training programs that link Associate’s degrees to Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees. Specialized post-Associate degree programs will be offered in medical/surgical acute care, critical care, gerontology/long-term care, and blood banking and infusion nursing. Nursing cohorts will be composed of graduates from Associate and advanced degree backgrounds to enhance the employability, specialty skills, and currency of the trainees.
Areas Served by Grant:	Greater Sacramento Region (Urban and suburban; not automotive related)
Targeted Industries:	Health Care (Nursing, Allied Health and Health Information Technology)
Targeted Credentials:	Registered Nurse (RN) - Associate Degree, Nursing; Completion of National Council Licensure Examinations for Practical and Registered Nurses (NCLEX-PN and NCLEX-RN) exam, Accreditation: CA Board of Registered Nursing; Medical Lab Tech (MLT) - Associate Degree in MLT, Accreditation: Nat. Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Science; Medical Sonographer - 60 semester credits and a clinical internship, Accreditation: Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA)
Targeted Occupations:	Medical Laboratory Technicians, Registered Nurses, Medical Sonographer
Targeted Populations:	Unemployed, dislocated and incumbent workers including low-wage workers





<p>All Project partners:</p>	<p>American River College, Cosumnes River College, Sacramento City College, Folsom Lake College, Sacramento Employment and Training Agency, BloodSource, Sutter Health, Kaiser Permanente, Mercy Hospitals, Sutter Health, Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at University of California Davis, and UC Davis Medical Center, Catholic Healthcare West, Sacramento State University and UC Davis</p>
<p>Projected outcomes:</p>	
<p>Total number of participants served:</p>	<p>770</p>
<p>Total number of participants beginning education/training activities:</p>	<p>680</p>
<p>Total number of participants completing education/training activities:</p>	<p>613</p>
<p>Total number of participants who complete education/training activities and receive a degree/certificate:</p>	<p>613</p>
<p>Total number of participants who complete education/training activities and are placed into unsubsidized employment:</p>	<p>205</p>
<p>Total number of participants who complete education/training activities and are placed into training-related unsubsidized employment:</p>	<p>202</p>
<p>Total number of participants placed in unsubsidized employment who retain an employed status in the first and second quarters following initial placement:</p>	<p>597</p>
<p>Other Key Project Deliverables:</p>	<p>The HealthForce Initiative project proposes to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain an already increased rate of production of Registered Nurses to address the chronic shortage of nurses regionally and improve the employability of new nurse graduates, nurses returning to the workplace from temporary stop-outs, and returning veterans with healthcare skills, by offering “nursing residency” training programs that are on pathways linking Associate’s degrees to Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees. Specialized post Associate Degree programs will be offered in medical/surgical acute care, critical care, gerontology/long term care, and





	<p>blood banking and infusion nursing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop, launch, and deploy a new regional training program for Medical Laboratory Technologists, using existing curriculum. This program will allow regional healthcare providers to control costs of the increasing needs of diagnostic testing by providing skilled technician level workers to augment the work of professional level Clinical Laboratory Scientists. • Develop, launch, and deploy a new accredited regional training program for Diagnostic Medical Sonographers, using existing curriculum. • Provide an entry-level training program in medical digital record keeping and informatics to bridge incumbent workers from hand-written records to the emerging electronic medical record. This program will bridge workers from entry-level computer skills to the training offered by employers on their in-house electronic medical record software systems. • Partner with healthcare providers to increase the employment rates of graduates of the regional healthcare training programs, strengthen career awareness of students and graduates, and transition them when appropriate from critically impacted programs to less impacted alternatives. • Create a strong pipeline in the continuum of educational opportunities in healthcare with outreach to K-12 and articulation to four-year colleges and universities.
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