

The Gate Apprenticeship Project

GRANTEE: Fresno Career Development Institute Inc.

LOCATION OF GRANT ACTIVITIES: Fresno County, CA

AMOUNT: \$1,000,000

VALUE OF MATCH AND OTHER LEVERAGED RESOURCES: \$230,000

POPULATION SERVED: Offenders between the ages of 18 and 24 housed in state correctional facilities

KEY PARTNERSHIPS: Henkels & McCoy Inc., New Millennium School, Alliant University/CSPP, Arbor Inc (The WIA 1-Stop)

KEY STRATEGIES: This initiative is an employer-sponsored apprenticeship program. Inmates that are identified to participate in this project will be enrolled and registered as apprentices in the job classifications of Cable Network Installers and Cable Installer Helpers. This initiative will be implemented by a public/private partnership. The superstructure of the partnership is comprised of Fresno Career Development Institute and Henkels & McCoy Inc., one of the largest privately held international engineering and construction companies in the world. This project will require a four-month period of planning and start up. Thereafter, the project will provide a 1-year behind-the-walls program that will provide 156-260 hours of classroom instruction with hands-on familiarization with tools, equipment, blueprints, circuitry, wiring and other technical skills

PROPOSED OUTCOMES: Out of 120 youth served, 50-70 participants will receive the following:

- 1) Initial/objective/risk assessments;
- 2) Individualized learning plan;
- 3) Enter registered apprenticeship training;
- 4) Out of 120 youth, 80% of clients will receive academic skills improvement; and
- 5) Out of 100 youth completing the program, 50% will complete required apprenticeship training.

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