

The CWA District 9 Broadband Technician Training Program utilizes the time-tested effectiveness of apprenticeship training to support the completion of a robust digital communications infrastructure necessary to achieve the vital goal of increased climate resilience.

The proposal includes expanded outreach and engagement—in conjunction with educational partners, community organizations and others—to prioritize the recruitment of persons of color, women, youth, and lower-income individuals into apprenticeship training. In conjunction with our educational partners we will create a ladder to a High Road career within the broadband sector. Within and beyond the confines of our apprenticeship programs we will provide constantly updated training to keep up with changes in technology and development of new industry best practices.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- Recruit and train individuals so that they possess the technical skills requisite to implement the broadband initiative.
- Obtain certification for apprentices and journeypersons.
- Take care to ensure that individuals from under resourced communities are substantially represented among those trained.
- Expand the physical resource capacity for training by adding new facilities in a geographically strategic manner.
- Expand accessibility to trained workers for employers throughout the State.

KEY PARTNERS

- Allied Universal Technology Services
 - Direct Line
 - Northland Control Systems
 - Pimentel Communications Inc.
 - Professional Technical Systems
 - United California Access & Security
 - Chabot-Las Positas Community College District
 - CWA Local 9400, 9423, 9412, 9415, 9003, 9510, 9588, & 9408
 - The California Labor Federation’s Workforce and Economic Development Program (WED)
 - Fiber Optics Association
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