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State Workforce Board Announces \$24 Million Investment to Strengthen California's Healthcare Workforce

The High Road Training Partnership Grant awarded more than \$24 million to connect workers to high-quality jobs in the Healthcare sector.

Sacramento - The California Workforce Development Board (CWDB), in partnership with the California Labor & Workforce Development Agency (LWDA), announced \$24,172,709 in grant funding to 10 projects statewide to expand pathways into high-quality healthcare careers. The <u>High Road Training Partnerships Healthcare Grant Program</u> (HRTP Healthcare) funds innovative workforce projects focused on connecting workers – especially those from underrepresented communities – to middle-skill healthcare jobs that pay good wages, offer career advancement opportunities, and strengthen pathways to economic security.

In the wake of the destructive LA fires, the CWDB is proud to support rebuilding efforts in affected communities. The HRTP Healthcare grant includes workforce projects in the LA area that provide opportunities for those impacted, helping families rebuild their lives through good jobs and sustainable careers.

The HRTP Healthcare grant, in alignment with Governor Gavin Newsom's <u>California Jobs First</u> strategy, supports workforce projects that target California's most urgent healthcare needs, with a focus on behavioral health and nursing. This round of funding builds on the State's previous investment of more than \$85 million in HRTP healthcare projects statewide—a part of Newsom's larger push to adequately prepare people for fulfilling careers in high-growth sectors of the economy.

A complete list of awardees can be found at HRTP Healthcare 24/25 Grant Program.

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