

Attachment 4: List of Businesses Targeted by Industry

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In December 2008, the Governor announced more than \$6 million in grants to help military veterans as they return to the civilian workforce. The Governor made the announcement in Los Angeles at Managed Career Solutions Inc., which received \$500,000 in grant funds to assist 300 county residents with obtaining and retaining well-paying jobs in high-growth industries. The \$6 million in Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funds will help more than 1,500 newly discharged veterans find jobs. Additionally, the 12 agencies and organizations across California receiving the grants have committed matching funds of almost \$4 million to further expand their job training programs, for a total investment of nearly \$10 million.

These funds will help veterans get jobs in high-growth industries and ease their transition back to civilian life. A recent U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs study found that 18 percent of the veterans who sought jobs within one to three years of discharge were unemployed, while one out of four who did find jobs earned less than \$21,840 a year. The Governor believes this is unacceptable and that veterans deserve better.

- The in grants will focus on identifying military transferable skills and determining career paths to industries that offer livable wages, benefits and career advancement opportunities.
- Veterans can expect to receive a variety of training in high-growth fields such as health care, emergency medical technology, construction, security, law enforcement and computer services.
- The grants will also be used to target those veterans with service-connected disabilities or other significant barriers to employment.
- The projects funded will also provide supportive services, placement, and follow-up through a case management approach. These programs are expected to run through December 2009.

The 12 agencies and organizations receiving these grants include:

| Awardee | County | Total Award |
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| Able-Disabled Advocacy, Inc. | San Diego | \$500,000 |
| Fresno County | Fresno | \$500,000 |
| Imperial Valley Regional Occupation | Imperial | \$500,000 |
| Lutheran Social Services | Los Angeles | \$500,000 |
| Managed Career Solutions, Inc. | Los Angeles | \$500,000 |
| Northern Santa Clara Valley Job Training Consortium | Santa Clara | \$500,000 |
| Orange County | Orange | \$500,000 |
| San Diego Imperial Counties Labor Council Training | San Diego | \$500,000 |
| SELACO Workforce Investment Board | Los Angeles | \$500,000 |
| State Center Community College District | Fresno | \$500,000 |
| Swords to Plowshares | San Francisco | \$500,000 |
| Vietnam Veterans of San Diego | San Diego | \$500,000 |