

VENTURA COUNTY DIRECTORY OF SERVICES



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**WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT
ALLIANCE**

CALWORKS

The CalWORKs (California Work Opportunity & Responsibility to Kids) program can provide cash assistance to families with children. Certain adults in the program must participate in welfare-to-work activities, such as looking for a job, attending job training, working, or furthering their education, which will improve their chances for long-term employment and self-sufficiency. CalWORKs employment specialists help parents develop and achieve their career goals and assist with referrals to Child Development Resources (childcare) so that parents can work.

CONTACT: BenefitsCal.com | (888) 472-4463

COMMUNITY ACTION OF VENTURA COUNTY (CAVC)

Community Action of Ventura County helps our community establish pathways out of poverty through advocacy, partnerships, and services that promote dignity and self-sufficiency. With offices in Oxnard and Simi Valley and Santa Paula, help is just around the corner for everyone in Ventura County. Services Provided include: Utility Payment Assistance, Weatherization, Food, Mental & Financial Wellness Workshops, Homeless Services, Medi-Cal Navigators.

CONTACT: Info@CA-VC.org | (805) 436-4000

COMMUNITY COLLEGES OF VENTURA COUNTY

Career Education classes at Moorpark, Oxnard, and Ventura Colleges offer opportunities to earn advanced technical certificates or a degree. Students will learn fundamental skills in a career pathway that prepares them for the workforce or to continue their education. Many certificates can be earned in a semester or a short time frame.

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EDD

The Employment Development Department (EDD) is a pivotal agency in California, driving employment and workforce development initiatives. It offers comprehensive services, including unemployment insurance, job placement assistance, labor market information, and disability insurance. EDD's primary role is to support individuals during unemployment, providing financial assistance and resources to facilitate their re-entry into the workforce. Moreover, it is a valuable resource for employers, aiding recruitment, training programs, and compliance with labor laws.

CONTACT: wsboxnardinformation@edd.ca.gov | (805) 288-8400

CENTER FOR EMPLOYMENT TRAINING (CET)

CET's programs help individuals acquire the necessary job skills to enter gainful employment. CET's contextual model is designed to lead students into career pathways and higher wages. Throughout their training, they will learn not only a job skill, but will automatically receive the following services: career counseling, basic skills, life skills, reading and writing, computer literacy, and English literacy if needed. Post-training services include job placement assistance, job retention, and follow-up support. Individuals can enroll at CET anytime and finish their program in less than a year.

CONTACT: Oxnard@cetweb.edu | (805) 487-9821

CONEJO ADULT SCHOOL

Conejo Valley Adult Education is dedicated to providing adults with opportunities to improve and enrich their lives, including skills for successfully transitioning to the workforce, college, or vocational programs, and attaining personal goals.

CONTACT:
Principal: Mike Sanders | mikesanders@conejoadulted.org
info@conejoadulted.org | (805) 497-2761

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF VENTURA & SANTA BARBARA COUNTIES - VC NEXTGEN

Goodwill Industries of Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties offers no-cost employment readiness and placement services to individuals facing barriers to employment. Participants enrolled in these services are connected with a coordinator and are eligible for a range of services, including: career navigation and exploration, employment preparation, job placement or a paid work experience, and supportive services. GoodwillVSB is proudly partnered with CalWORKs, Cal-Fresh, Ventura County Workforce Development Board, VC NextGen and the Department of Rehabilitation.

CONTACT: workforceservices@goodwillvsb.org | (805) 981-0130

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA

The mission of the Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura is to provide and develop quality affordable housing for eligible low-income residents of Ventura County and to establish strong partnerships necessary for HACSB customers to achieve personal goals related to: literacy and education; health and wellness; and job training and employment leading to personal growth and economic self-sufficiency.

The community services department provides the following services:
Resident Opportunities • Self-Sufficiency Safety • Lifelong Education
Community Engagement • Employment Career Planning • Skill Building
Training • Community Building • Health and Well-being • Youth
Programming.

CONTACT: Maria L Martinez, Community Services Manager
mmartinez@hacityventura.org | (805) 673-3610
Executive Office & Public Housing & Affordable Housing | (805) 648-5008
Section 8, Community Services | (805) 647-5990

MANAGED CAREER SOLUTIONS (MCS)

Managed Career Solutions (MCS) empowers individuals through tailored employment and training services. Offering job placement, vocational training, and career counseling, MCS bridges skills gaps and enhances employability. Partnering with local businesses, educational institutions, and government agencies, MCS creates sustainable career pathways and provides the support needed for clients to achieve their professional goals and contribute to the workforce.

CONTACT:
Skill up Orientation and Workshops:
Registration Link:
<https://www.eventcreate.com/e/skillup-orientation-pre-regist-447850>
Email: skillupvc@mcscareergroup.com
Second Chance Program:
Monique M. | mmarquez@mcslosangeles.com | (805) 791-4567
Disability Employment Works:
Linda L. | llara@mcscareergroup.com | (213) 342-1201
Anne S. | asmith@mcslosangeles.com | (805) 330-1634



■ SIMI INSTITUTE FOR CAREERS AND EDUCATION

Simi Institute for Careers and Education provides a wide range of vocational training and educational programs designed to equip students with the skills needed for successful careers. Offering courses in healthcare, technology, business, and trades, the institute emphasizes hands-on learning and practical experience. With a commitment to lifelong learning, Simi Institute supports students in achieving their professional goals and contributing to the community's economic growth.

CONTACT:

Office Phone Number: (805) 579-6200

■ THE ARC OF VENTURA COUNTY

The ARC of Ventura County is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. It offers a variety of services, including educational programs, employment assistance, and independent living support, to enhance the quality of life and promote community inclusion. Through personalized care and advocacy, The ARC empowers individuals to achieve their full potential and fosters an environment of acceptance and respect.

CONTACT: (805) 650-8611

Scott Mangum | smangum@arcvc.org

Victor Ruiz | vruiz@arcvc.org

■ LOS ANGELES JOB CORPS

The Los Angeles Job Corps program provides young adults free education and vocational training to help them achieve successful careers. Through this comprehensive program, participants receive academic instruction, hands-on training in various trades, job placement assistance, and support services such as counseling and housing. The program aims to equip individuals with the skills and credentials to secure meaningful employment and self-sufficiency. Emphasizing personal and professional development, Los Angeles Job Corps is dedicated to transforming lives and building a skilled workforce for the future.

CONTACT:

Christine Vasquez | Vasquez.christine@jobcorps.org

866-301-8882 | 877-889-5627 TTY | 800-733-JOBS

■ OXNARD ADULT SCHOOL

Oxnard Adult School prepares and empowers students to achieve educational, career, and personal goals, promoting lifelong learning in a safe, supportive, and multicultural environment. Oxnard Adult School empowers and equips all students to be lifelong learners and powerful participants in today's global community.

CONTACT:

Principal: Leticia Carabajal leticia.carabajal@oxnardunion.org

(805) 385-2578 or 2586

■ SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AMERICAN INDIAN RESOURCE CENTER (SCAIR)

SCAIR's mission is to provide career, educational, cultural, mental health and supportive services to Native Americans/ Alaska Natives/ Hawaiian Natives and their families, throughout Ventura County.

Southern California American Indian Resource Center, Inc. (SCAIR) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) community-based tribal organization, established in 1997 under the authority of P.L. 93-638, the Indian Self Determination and Education Act of 1976.

CONTACT: Marcie marcie@scaririnc.org | (805) 765-6243

■ THE DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION (DOR)

The Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) assists Californians with disabilities obtain and retain employment and maximize their ability to live independently. Vocational rehabilitation teams work closely with job seekers to establish the best combination of services and resources necessary to prepare for, find, retain and advance in employment. Our services are tailored to each individual's strengths and challenges to ensure the greatest chance of success.

CONTACT: www.dor.ca.gov | (805) 385-2400



The Workforce Development Board of Ventura County is a proud partner of America's Job Center of California network. The WDBVC and this project are an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. If you have limitations hearing or speaking dial 711 to reach the California Relay Services (CRS). For federal funding disclosure information, visit workforceventuracounty.org/about-us/funding/.

■ THE VENTURA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

The Ventura County Office of Education provides quality services and support for life-long learning opportunities. We will collaborate with local educational agencies, government bodies, and private sector entities to provide all learners leadership, service, and support. We aim to create world-class learning environments, secure and develop necessary resources, and build an organization founded on trust, communication, collaboration, critical thinking, and creativity. We are committed to ensuring the highest levels of service and satisfaction.

CONTACT: Anthony Marengo | amarengo@vcoe.org | (805) 437-1421

■ VENTURA ADULT AND CONTINUING EDUCATION (VACE)

Ventura Adult and Continuing Education (VACE) prepares diverse learners with academic, vocational and technological competences for the global workforce. VACE is committed to providing students with intensive, high quality, innovative, competency-based programs and opportunities to obtain professional certification that align with labor market requirements. All of the career technical education certificate programs are sensitive to the evolving needs of the local business community and designed to meet industry standards of the workplace. VACE offers a wide array of day and evening programs such as High School Diploma, High School Equivalency, ESL, Citizenship, and Computer Basics to name a few. The CTE training programs, which include: Accounting, Business, Computer-Aided Design, Graphics, Digital Multimedia, Medical, Pharmacy Technician, and Computer Systems Technology afford students the opportunity to obtain jobs that are both financially and personally rewarding. Student support, externships, placement services, and financial aid is available for those who qualify.

CONTACT:

Principal: Carolyn Vang-Walker | Carolyn.vang-walker@adulthoodventura.edu

careers@vace.com | (805) 289-1744

■ THE SALVATION ARMY'S VETERAN EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Since 2009, The Salvation Army Veteran Employment Services Program has provided quality employment assistance to unemployed and underemployed veterans. By helping veterans leverage their status, passion, and skills, the program has achieved a nearly 80% job placement success rate. The diverse clientele includes veterans of all ranks and experience levels, from those recently returning to those out of service for extended periods, and with varying degrees of education and civilian work experience.

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■ THE VENTURA COUNTY WORKS PROGRAM • WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA)

The Ventura County Works Program is administered by Career TEAM, an organization dedicated to empowering individuals with the skills and resources needed to thrive in the workforce. They offer comprehensive career development services such as resume building, interview preparation, job search assistance, and skills training programs. Career TEAM helps individuals navigate the job market and secure meaningful employment opportunities through personalized coaching and innovative technology solutions. Their commitment to fostering professional growth and success makes them a valuable partner for individuals seeking to advance their careers.

CONTACT: (805) 648-WORK (9675) or Toll-free 833-810-9675

■ VENTURA COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING (VCAA)

The Ventura County Area Agency on Aging, a division of the County of Ventura's Human Services Agency, is charged with the responsibility of promoting the development and implementation of a comprehensive coordinated system of care that enables older individuals, children and adults with disabilities, and their caregivers to live in a community-based setting. The VCAA advocates for the needs of those 60 years of age and older in the county, providing leadership and promoting citizen involvement in the planning process as well as in the delivery of services.

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