

# Workforce Snapshot

1st Quarter 2018

## 2018 Unemployment Rate Comparison to 2017



**Fresno County** 

8.7%

% (+/-) from 2017

-1.6%



California

4.2%

% (+/-) from 2017

-1.0%



**Nation** 

4.1%

% (+/-) from 2017

-0.5%

Our Labor Force (2018 Compared to 2017)



**Specialty Trade Contractors** increased by 1,200 jobs or 10.7%



**Transportation &** Warehousing increased by 800 jobs or 7.8%



**Retail Trade** increased by 700 jobs or 1.8%



Manufacturing increased by 1,000 jobs or 4.0%



**Nursing & Residential Care Facilities** increased by 100 jobs or 1.4%



Leisure Hospitality increased by 900 jobs or 2.7%

Between February 2018 and March 2018, total industry employment increased by 1,300 jobs (up 0.3 percent), to total 390,000. Non-farm employment rose by 1,600 jobs (up 0.5 percent), while farm employment declined by 300 jobs (down 0.8 percent).

**Government** posted the largest month-over gain with the addition of 900 jobs. Gains in federal government (up 1,000 jobs), and state government (up 200 jobs), offset a decline of 300 jobs in local government.

## **Connecting for Success!**

**Award** 

Youth Outstanding Achievement Adult Outstanding Achievement **Award** 



Award Recipient: **Rojelio Andrade** 

Mr. Andrade was raised in Huron, where the primary California occupation is agricultural work. He arrived at the All Youth One System office without any work experience and lacked the skills obtain necessary to employment. After enrolling in the program and working with Academic Career Advisor quickly realized that he needed an education in order to obtain sustainable employment. He successfully completed all iob readiness preparation activities and was awarded a scholarship to Technician pursue Psychiatric training.

The support and guidance he received from the staff at the All Youth One System program gave him the confidence he needed to boost his motivation to achieve success. Mr. Andrade's newfound eagerness and determination helped him complete his training and receive Certification as a Licensed Psychiatric Technician at the California Department of State Hospitals - Coalinga.



Award Recipient: **Martha Hernandez** 

Ms. Hernandez was out of work with a young child and working as a full-time caregiver to her ailing father when she enrolled to receive services at Workforce Connection. She felt her limited English skills were a barrier to her ability to secure self-sufficient employment, so she took classes to improve her English skills. Ms. Hernandez's strong passion for caring for people inspired her to enter training to become a Nurse Assistant or Medical Assistant.

Her motivation, eagerness, and true passion to make a difference in others' lives assisted in her rise to success! Guided by Workforce Connection staff, she successfully completed all assessments and was awarded a scholarship to pursue training in the Certified Program. Nursing She completed the successfully training program and passed the Certified Nursing Assistant boards on the first try! Ms. Hernandez is employed full-time at the Avalon Health Care Facility in Madera.

## Congratulations Rojelio Andrade!

#### Youth Business of Excellence

## Award Recipient: California Teaching Fellows Foundation

The California Teaching Fellows Foundation and the All Youth One System have been business partners since 2008.

Over the years, they have provided several opportunities for work experiences for our youth participants. They are a non-profit organization



that provides expanded learning programs to support academic mentors known as Teaching Fellows. Teaching Fellows are trained to be instructors in K-12 after-school, tutoring and summer programs, and serve as mentors and role models for college success.

The California Teaching Fellows Foundation is committed to the idea of helping youth achieve academic success by mentoring and providing the building blocks needed. They emphasize the importance of higher education while providing constructive feedback to improve skill sets. Their vision is about building lives, building careers, and building the future educators of tomorrow. They have been critical to our work in empowering the next generation of workforce leaders. We applaud the efforts of the California Teaching Fellows Foundation.

### **Adult Business of Excellence**

Award Recipient: California Department of State Hospitals - Coalinga



For over ten (10) years, the California Department of State Hospitals-Coalinga and Workforce Connection have enjoyed a great partnership. They have provided many employment opportunities to numerous Workforce Connection adult participants. The California Department of State Hospitals - Coalinga

is a psychiatric mental health facility that has approximately 2,000 employees with over 190 different job classifications, providing around-the-clock care to patients.

They are committed to the development of their employees by offering the 20/20 program, where employees can work part-time while obtaining additional education needed to better themselves and grow within the organization.

The close working relationship between Workforce Connection and California Department of State Hospitals - Coalinga has been invaluable to the community by providing opportunities that otherwise would not be available. The partnership between both agencies is an immeasurable asset to the success of our participants. We look forward to continuing to provide great employment opportunities to our community through our partnership with the California Department of State Hospitals - Coalinga.

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