



## News Release

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### **Training Multi-County Workers through Community Projects** *Developing skilled workers for current and planned projects*

**FRESNO, CA** – Nine (9) participants enrolled in a multi-craft construction/trades pre-apprenticeship training program are geared up to give back to the community. Wednesday they will put in the work at Storyland Fresno and utilize the skills they have learned in the program to refinish buildings, repair main entrance and general maintenance to get the grounds ready for visitors.

**When:** Wednesday, June 6, 2018  
**Time:** 8am to 3pm  
**Where:** Storyland Fresno at Roeding Park  
890 W. Belmont Ave.  
Fresno, CA 93728

These nine (9) men and women in the job-training program, sponsored by the Fresno Regional Workforce Development Board (FRWDB) and the Fresno, Madera, Kings, & Tulare Building Trades Council (BTC), have received training designed to prepare them for a sustainable career in the constructions/trades industry.

“Giving back to our community is something that we in the building & construction unions value enormously. It is important to instill that in our members as early as possible,” said BTC Secretary-Treasurer Chuck Riojas.

Job-training programs are particularly important in the San Joaquin Valley, where highly skilled workers are in great demand due to a wave of projects. “This training will equip these 9 job seekers with the skills required to compete for jobs created by planned and current projects ranging from highway construction to high speed rail,” said FRWDB Executive Director Blake Konczal.

Upon their graduation on June 8, 2018 they will receive certifications for OSHA-10, CPR & First Aide and Forklift Training as well as certificates of completion from the following seven (7) unions – plumbers, electricians, iron workers, sheet metal, cement masons, teamsters and operation engineers.

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