

# AB 1111



## Breaking Barriers to Employment Initiative

The Breaking Barriers to Employment Initiative is intended to supplement existing workforce and education programs by providing services to ensure the success of individuals either preparing to enter or already enrolled in workforce and education programs. The individuals with barriers to employment completing these programs should have the skills and competencies necessary to successfully enter the labor market, retain employment, and earn wages that lead to self-sufficiency, and eventually, economic security. These services must be delivered through a collaborative partnership between mission-driven, community-based organizations with experience in providing services to the target population and local workforce development boards.

The California Workforce Development Board and the Labor and Workforce Development Agency are pleased to announce that the following project has been awarded for the AB 1111: Breaking Barriers to Employment Initiative Grant Program.

### Addressing Barriers to Employment for Individuals with Disabilities in Orange County

#### Orange County Workforce Development Board & Goodwill of Orange County

The “Addressing Barriers to Employment for Individuals with Disabilities in Orange County” project is a partnership between the County of Orange Workforce Development Board and Goodwill Industries of Orange County. It is intended to expand workforce services to individuals with disabilities by providing soft skills training, Vocational Preparation and Social Adjustment training (VPSA), as well as co-enrollment into the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act through Orange County America’s Job Centers of California (AJCC)/One Stop Centers system. The targeted population shall receive services including job readiness, short term employment placement opportunities such as work experience, and/or permanent placement into Competitive Integrated Employment. The intended soft skills and VPSA trainings shall be offered to the targeted population, and training on best practices in serving individuals with disabilities shall be provided to Orange County and AJCC staff/providers. Following outreach/recruitment and enrollment into the program, participants will be offered soft skills and VPSA trainings and transitioned into co-enrollment in a workforce development program administered through the Orange County AJCC's or by Goodwill Industries of Orange County.

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