

2013 Sponsored Employment Program (SEP) Graduation Celebration

Thursday, August 8, 2013, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

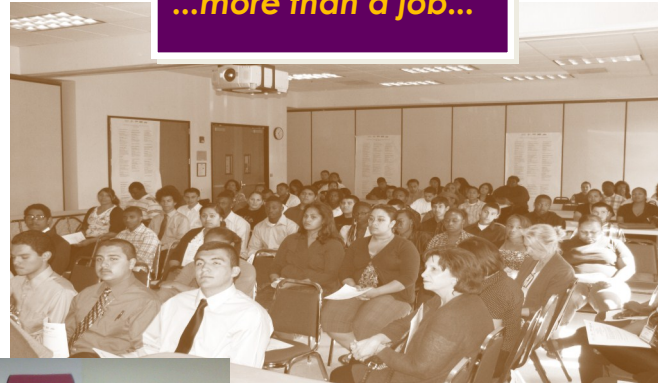
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2695 Fordham St., East Palo Alto, California

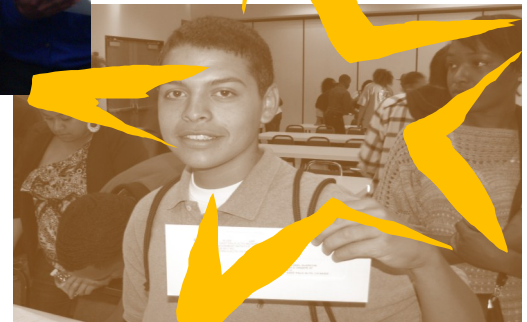
S-E-P is the place to be...



...more than a job...



...it's Community!



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**& the Prevention and Alternatives Committee
of the East Palo Alto Crime Reduction Task Force**

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PROGRAMME

Prelude

Pre-event Music by Issac Stevens, YouthEastPaloAlto Program Assistant/One East Palo Alto (OEPA)

Mistress of Ceremonies' Welcome & Acknowledgements

Faye McNair-Knox, Ph.D., Executive Director/OEPA

Procession of Summer 2013 SEP Graduates

Partner Remarks

Ortensia Lopez, M.A., Executive Director/El Concilio of San Mateo County; Heather Starnes, M.A., Executive Director/Live In Peace; Sharon Williams, Executive Director/JobTrain

SEP Anthem

Team Excellence

Cultural Expression

Youth Group/First Tongan United Methodist Church Palo Alto

A Graduate's Heart – Part 1

SEP Professional Graduate

Tribute to the Caring Adults in the Village

Team Excellence & SEP Professional Graduates

Words of Encouragement

Maya J. Perkins, J.D., Legislative Aide/Office of Supervisor Jacobs Gibson
(on behalf of Hon. Rose Jacobs Gibson, Member/San Mateo County Board of Supervisors)

Cultural Expression

Nathaniel Tito, YouthEPA Program Assistant/OEPA & SEP Professional Graduates Daniel Liu & Mario Pulido

A Graduate's Heart – Part 2

SEP Professional Graduate

Commendations & Awards

Rev. Teirrah McNair, SEP Coordinator/OEPA & Kava Tulua, M.A., Coordinator, Victor Lopez
Community Mentor Project/El Concilio of San Mateo County & Special Projects Consultant/OEPA

Words of Encouragement

Deborah Lee Torres, LCSW, Director, Collaborative Community Outcomes/
San Mateo County Human Services Agency

Cultural Expression

SEP Graduate Professionals Ronald Samuels & Monique Tillman with Talena Fort

A Graduate's Heart – Part 3

SEP Professional Graduate Elizabeth Contreras

Conferring of Graduate Certificates & Special Presentation

Closing Remarks

Faye McNair-Knox

"We loved having Patrick and Daniel. They are professional and diligent workers who bring a wonderful sense of humor and warmth to the office. Particularly in the collaborative work space we inhabit – they have demonstrated openness to new people and experiences, flexibility, and an incredible willingness to jump in to the tasks at hand.

~Mary Hofstedt/The John W. Gardner Center for Youth and Their Families (2013 SEP Employer-Sponsor)~

2012 Sponsored Employment Program (SEP) Graduation Celebration

Summer 2013 Sponsored Employment Program Graduates

Jason Adams	Angelica Lui	Nathaly Romero	Deleon Tuatagaloa
Dey'Quan Ardoin	Francisco Martinez	Vanessa Romero	Jason Vaavaai
Kevin Barragan	Nikolas Mavrakakis	Eddie Ruvalcaba	Jocelyn Valencia
Roberto Barrera-Reglado	Madeline Maya	Ariel Saavedra	Allessandra Valen
Salvador Chavez-Garcia	Lateefah McCrary	Cristian Saavedra	Jasmine Wagner
Miguel Cornelio	Andres Medina	Peni Sanft	Daija Walker
Pedro Cornelio-Garcia	Jesus Medina	Vaealii Saofanua	Demetrius Wells
Itzumy Cruz	Janely Medina-Arroyo	Miriama Saofanua	LarryWilliams II
Laura Eslava	Jose Mendez	Akenese Saofanua	Christopher Williams,Jr.
Ivan España	Tandra Mitchell	Ronald Shelby	
Kimberly Fanuatunu	Jonathan Nava	Sha'DaiSmith	
Alexandria Flowers	Ashley Oliver	Darrell Smith	
Devone Gates	Edwin Ortiz	James Smith	
Flavio Gomez	Deja Polk	Vashawn Smith	
Claudia Gonzalez	Elany Powell	William Smith	
Laura Mariscal	Nilesh Prasad	Ashley Tali	
Marcus Hill	Mario Pulido III	Pisileni Tautua'a	
Maurice Holden	Israel Rivas	Monique Tillman	
Brianna Holland	Shomari Rivero	Laura Trujillo-Mendoza	

Summer 2012 Sponsored Employment Program Peer Mentors

Antwon Chatmon • Sean Chatmon • Ivan Contreras

Ligia Hernandez • Mele Latu • Martin Moreno • Caprice Powell • Patrick Veal

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It has been a delight having two young men working with El Concilio. They both have been a pleasant addition to the teams they worked with to help get our work done. They were both courteous, helpful, eager to learn and listen and I would hire them anytime for the right job that would enhance those varied interests of theirs.

~Gloria Flores-Garcia/El Concilio of San Mateo County (2012 SEP Employer-Sponsor)~

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