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### It's National Apprenticeship Week in the Tri-County Area

**Sunday, November 12, 2023 - Castroville, CA** – To observe National Apprenticeship Week (Nov. 13 -19) the Monterey – Santa Cruz Building Trades Training and Education Fund in partnership with the Monterey County Workforce Development Board, and its counterparts, the Santa Cruz County Workforce Development Board, and the San Benito County Workforce Development Board having formed the Tri County Apprenticeship Preparation Program are observing National Apprenticeship Week by opening its Training Center to the Public On Thursday and Friday November 16-17, 2023. The Center is located at 11445 Commercial Parkway in Castroville and will be open from 9am – 5pm on each day.

The Program is a 350-hour training and is designed to educate and prepare individuals to enter the Construction Trades through an Apprenticeship. Apprenticeship is a learn as you earn, on the job, and in the classroom training program for skilled trades professions.

The nationally recognized MC3 Curriculum for the Building Trades is taught along with OSHA 30 Safety Training, First Aid/CPR, 24 Hour Hazwoper (Identification and Handling of Hazardous Materials), Boom Lift and Scissor Lift Training. Satisfactory completion of these courses results in gaining certification which is a valued part for employment in the Construction Trades.

Along with the classroom training and certifications there are plenty of hands-on skills being taught with an emphasis on skills and techniques used in all the trades.

The Program is open to all individuals of the Tri County, 18 years or older, with a Driver's License, a High School Diploma or GED, who can Work legally in the U.S., are Drug Free, have the Desire to enter the Construction Industry and the Aptitude needed by the Trades.

Our Websites -

<https://www.apprenticeprep.org/> <https://montereycountyworks.com/pre-apprenticeship/>

National Apprenticeship Week -

<https://www.apprenticeship.gov/national-apprenticeship-week>

The Monterey County Workforce Development Board integrates public and private partnerships to train and place individuals with the skills that local employers need. This project is funded 100% with Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Federal Funds made available to the State of California Employment Development Department by the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration as the Grantor. This WIOA, Title 1-financially assisted program/activity is an equal opportunity employer/program, and auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities or limited English.