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South Bay Workforce Investment Board Signs First Workforce Transition Assistance Agreement with the Los Angeles Air Force Base

HAWTHORNE - The South Bay Workforce Board (SBWIB) has signed an agreement with the Los Angeles Air Force Base (LAAFB) to provide Enhanced Workforce Transition Assistance. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed on Monday May 9th, at the LAAFB located in El Segundo, CA.

The LAAFB employs approximately 2,000 active military professionals. Currently, those choosing to separate from the military work through the Airman and Family Readiness Center located at the base. The center provides services that help with the transition from the military to civilian life and employment. The center sees between 20-50 people per month, but they are not able to supply continuous assistance for everyone until a job is found.

This new program will offer enhanced transition assistance and provide employment services until the veteran finds a job, even after they have separated from the military. Workforce services will be available for spouses of separating military as well, which includes assistance for spouses of active duty and newly assigned personnel.

"This is the first partnership for enhanced transition services between a Workforce Board and the Los Angeles Air Force Base. We are looking forward to helping service members find employment after they separate from the military" said Jan Vogel, Executive Director for the SBWIB. This exciting new program will begin July 1, 2016 and last for three years.

The partnership will help Airmen achieve greater prosperity and quality of life for their families as they make the transition out of the military. The community will benefit from the retention of a highly skilled and professional workforce in the Los Angeles South Bay region, which is important for business retention, expansion and economic growth.

"I have been so energized by the outpouring of support for the base from the community," said Col. Turner, 61st Air Base Group commander at the LAAFB. "I am very pleased that we were able to sign an MOU with the South Bay Workforce Investment Board for Transition Services."

The SBWIB provides human resource services at no cost to local business and job seekers and manages many labor programs to keep people employed in the Los Angeles South Bay area.



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Col. Turner, commander of the 61st Air Base Group at the Los Angeles Air Force Base in El Segundo, CA signs a Memorandum of Understanding for Enhanced Workforce Transition Assistance with Jan Vogel, Executive Director, South Bay Workforce Investment Board.