Workforce Training

Vocational Training Opportunities in the Imperial Valley

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Outline

I. Description of vocational offerings within the educational system
   A. Number of schools and enrollments by level and by occupational training field
      1. K-12—School-to-Career program
      2. Valley College
      3. San Diego State University
      4. Imperial County Office of Education (ICOE) Regional Occupational Program
      5. ICOE YES (Youth Employment Services)
   B. Unique aspects
      1. Stats on percentage of K-12 teachers trained locally (IVC, SDSU)
      2. Computers in K-12 classrooms, system networks, fiber optic connections

II. Description of vocational training opportunities (non-academic)
   A. American Beauty College
   B. Arbor
   C. Campesinos Unidos
   D. Center for Employment Training
   E. Central Union High School District (adults & youth)
   F. Johnson Education Center
   G. Work Training Center

III. Employment Training Panel

IV. Welfare to Work, work experience contracts and supportive services
V. Workforce Investment Act—a $10+ million allocation in year 2000 for Imperial County’s Workforce Investment System
   A. Local Workforce Investment Board policy decisions pending:
      1. Types of training to be subsidized
      2. Criteria for qualifying to receive training
      3. Length of training periods
      4. Limits on amounts paid per trainee
      5. Certification requirements for training providers
      6. Customized training for employers

VI. Skills shortages, training gaps, challenges
   A. ESL
   B. Law enforcement
   C. Retail and service industries, customer services
   D. Current educational levels, adults (Census data)
   E. High unemployment rates