

News for the week of February 13, 2017

22 FILMS EXPECTED TO SPEND \$800 MILLION IN THE STATE AND GET TAX CREDITS UNDER CALIFORNIA’S FILM & TELEVISION TAX CREDIT PROGRAM 2.0.

Featured this week in the Hollywood Reporter, 22 tax credit projects were announced as part of the second and final feature film allocation for year two of Program 2.0. From those 22 film projects, 10 of them will be filmed at least partially outside the Los Angeles 30-Mile Zone, spreading production throughout the state. The application period was held from January 2-13 and a total of 93 applications vying for the \$100 million in tax credits were received. The article reports “based on data provided with each application, the selected projects (14 from non-independent production companies/studios, eight from independent production companies) are on track to spend a total of \$800 million in-state, including \$300 million in qualified wages to more than 4,000 crew and castmembers.”



Speaking to the publication, California Film Commission Executive Director Amy Lemisch said, “Thanks to the expanded tax credit program, we’re now on a path to win more and more battles in the fight against runaway production. Welcoming another big-budget feature and creating jobs across the state are great news for California.” 2016 was a record year for feature film production as reported by FilmL.A. The Hollywood Reporter article is available at bit.ly/2kpLNLb. For information about Film Industry incentives in the City of Los Angeles visit <http://ewddlacity.com/index.php/filming>. For information about FilmLA visit <http://www.filmla.com/>.



North Valley BusinessSource Center client Joe’s Café gets \$250,000 loan, 34 new jobs:



Allison Martson and Joseph Wetherbee are owners of Joe’s Café at 17823 Chatsworth St. in Granada Hills. It is an acclaimed restaurant that is committed to creating a friendly ambiance for family, friends and the community. They pride themselves on their homemade and simple menu. Their café is a modern yet comfortable space where even their décor is handmade. Their motto is “Food Done Good!” Allison and Joe have been recurring clients of the North Valley BusinessSource Center. They first visited the BusinessSource Center to obtain assistance with a loan to expand their small restaurant. Staff from the BusinessSource Center met with them in December of 2016 and helped them obtain a \$250,000 loan. This year they obtained an additional \$25,000 loan which helped them move to a new and larger venue a block down from their previous location. Since then they have been able to create a total of 34 new jobs. They have even appeared on the popular Food Network show “Chopped.” Presently, the North Valley BusinessSource Center is continuing to work with them by offering other services, such as on-the-job training by partnering with the WorkSource Center.

BUSINESS METRICS:

LABSC’s Reporting: South L.A., Harbor, Hollywood, South Valley, Central West, Mid City, West Valley, East L.A. and North Valley BSCs.	
LABSCs Not Reporting: None	
Pre-startups Enrolled	34
Pre-startups Assisted	21
Start-ups/Operating Businesses Enrolled	21
Start-ups/Operating Businesses Assisted	15
Workshops: Number of Clients that Attended	161

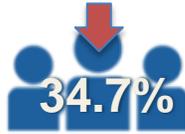
WORKFORCE METRICS:

(Arrows indicate weekly trend)

JobsLA (online and mobile)



Page Views
(Down 7.5%)



New Visitors
(Down 0.5%)



New Sessions
(Down 2.8%)



Registrations
(Down 21%)

WorkSource Centers



Enrollments
(Down 42%)

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