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TO: All Economic Development Division Service Providers

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**SUBJECT: EDD DIRECTIVE NO. 24-06
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION SERVICE PROVIDER SUCCESS
STORY AND WEBINAR/TRAINING CALENDARS**

EFFECTIVE DATE

This directive is effective on the date of issue.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the directive is to provide the Economic Development Division Service Providers (Providers) Success Story and Webinar/Trainings Submission Calendars for the period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025; outline the marketing materials approval process; and establish a centralized information repository for all appropriate business-related event information collected and made readily via the Economic and Workforce Development Division (EWDD) website.

BACKGROUND

Flyers and other public-facing marketing materials must provide clear, well-written, and professionally formatted information to promote all programs and services funded by EWDD. The EWDD Style Guide provides guidance to Contractors and Subrecipients to help EWDD maintain a professional image while promoting EWDD's programs and services to Angelenos. The Style Guide provides examples of success stories highlighting the services provided by EWDD and our partner agencies, to be utilized in EWDD social media accounts, newsletter, website postings, and for inclusion in *EWDD Updates*, the General Manager's Weekly Report to the Mayor's Office.

REQUIRED ACTION

All EWDD Contractors and Subrecipients must refer to and follow the EWDD Style Guide when preparing success stories, flyers, webinar announcements, and other public-facing marketing materials promoting all programs and services funded by EWDD.

The style guides include specific requirements including (but not limited to):

- Logos
- CDBG language
- Flyers
- Translation Services
- Release/Consent Forms
- Photos - Requirements and dimensions, including for social media platforms
- URL/RSVP link
- QR codes and short link

Links to the guides and media release forms are available [here](#).

Refer to the Economic Development Division Service Providers Success Story Calendar (Attachment 1) for the Success Story due dates by Provider. Stories should be current from 2023 to the present. Stories shall be submitted with all required attachments to the EDD Success Stories Submission Google Form [here](#).

Flyers should be emailed to labusinesssourceadmin@lacity.org for review. Providers will be notified if any updates are needed. Note that all new flyers must be preapproved prior to distribution. Previously approved flyers can be used if there is only a date, time, or venue change. Any events taking place outside of the City of LA must first be evaluated by the EWDD monitor.

In an effort to promote Provider trainings and events, the [EDD Webinar/Training Event Submission Google Form](#) was created. Submissions must be for trainings and/or events scheduled for the following month with an approved flyer. Submissions must follow the deadlines listed in the Economic Development Division Service Providers Webinar and Training Calendar (Attachment 2). All flyer submissions must be in 1080x1350px dimensions with all logos (City, EWDD, General BSC, and provider logos) and if included QR code with a short link.

EDD CONTACT

Questions or concerns should be addressed to labusinesssourceadmin@lacity.org.

Attachments:

1. Economic Development Division Service Providers Success Story Calendar July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025
2. Economic Development Division Service Providers Webinar/Training Event Calendar July 1, 2024- June 30, 2025
3. EWDD Style Guide
4. Video 101 Style Guide
5. EWDD Release Form – English
6. EWDD Release Form – Spanish

Economic Development Division Success Story Calendar July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

Please submit the Success Story to <https://forms.gle/oxt5QsYpQS7yNAB77>.

| Service Provider | Due Date |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| SEE-LA Incubator | Friday, July 5, 2024 |
| Pico-Union / Westlake BSC | Friday, July 12, 2024 |
| Harbor BSC | Friday, July 19, 2024 |
| Southeast LA BSC | Friday, July 26, 2024 |
| North Valley BSC | Friday, August 2, 2024 |
| Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator | Friday, August 9, 2024 |
| West Valley BSC | Friday, August 16, 2024 |
| South L.A. BSC | Friday, August 23, 2024 |
| Grid110 | Friday, August 30, 2024 |
| Hollywood BSC | Friday, September 6, 2024 |
| South Valley BSC | Friday, September 13, 2024 |
| Health Neighborhood Market Program | Friday, September 20, 2024 |
| Watts BSC | Friday, September 27, 2024 |
| Braid Theory | Friday, October 4 , 2024 |
| East L.A. BSC | Friday, October 11, 2024 |
| SEE-LA Incubator | Friday, October 18, 2024 |
| Pico-Union / Westlake BSC | Friday, October 25, 2024 |
| Harbor BSC | Friday, November 1, 2024 |
| Southeast LA BSC | Friday, November 8, 2024 |
| North Valley BSC | Friday, November 15, 2024 |
| Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator | Friday, November 22, 2024 |
| West Valley BSC | Friday, November 29, 2024 |
| South L.A. BSC | Friday, December 6, 2024 |
| Grid110 | Friday, December 13, 2024 |
| Hollywood BSC | Friday, December 20, 2024 |
| South Valley BSC | Friday, December 27, 2024 |
| Health Neighborhood Market Program | Friday, January 3, 2025 |

Economic Development Division Success Story Calendar July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025

Please submit the Success Story to <https://forms.gle/oxt5QsYpQS7yNAB77>

| Service Provider | Due Date |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Watts BSC | Friday, January 10, 2025 |
| Braid Theory | Friday, January 17, 2025 |
| East L.A. BSC | Friday, January 24, 2025 |
| SEE-LA Incubator | Friday, January 31, 2025 |
| Pico-Union / Westlake BSC | Friday, February 7, 2025 |
| Harbor BSC | Friday, February 14, 2025 |
| Southeast LA BSC | Friday, February 21, 2025 |
| North Valley BSC | Friday, February 28, 2025 |
| Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator | Friday, March 7, 2025 |
| West Valley BSC | Friday, March 14, 2025 |
| South L.A. BSC | Friday, March 21, 2025 |
| Grid110 | Friday, March 28, 2025 |
| Hollywood BSC | Friday, April 4, 2025 |
| South Valley BSC | Friday, April 11, 2025 |
| Health Neighborhood Market Program | Friday, April 18, 2025 |
| Watts BSC | Friday, April 25, 2025 |
| Braid Theory | Friday, May 2, 2025 |
| East L.A. BSC | Friday, May 9, 2025 |
| SEE-LA Incubator | Friday, May 16, 2025 |
| Pico-Union / Westlake BSC | Friday, May 23, 2025 |
| Harbor BSC | Friday, May 30, 2025 |
| Southeast LA BSC | Friday, June 06, 2025 |
| North Valley BSC | Friday, June 13, 2025 |
| Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator | Friday, June 20, 2025 |
| West Valley BSC | Friday, June 27, 2025 |

Refer to the EWDD Style Guide at <https://www.ewddlacity.com/index.php/press/guides-releases> for additional information.

Economic Development Division Webinar and Training Submission Calendar

July 1, 2024- June 30, 2025

The newsletter is distributed at the end of the month and will advertise webinars taking place in the following month.

Please submit the Webinar and Training information to:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdEi49K-l4fOg4pzrIASEPzVvUTeeVMSrf9YoQ15hPDeOBzeg/viewform>

| Month Webinar(s) is Taking Place In | Submission Due Date |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| July 2024 | Tuesday, June 25, 2024 |
| August 2024 | Friday, July 26, 2024 |
| September 2024 | Tuesday, August 27, 2024 |
| October 2024 | Wednesday, September 25, 2024 |
| November 2024 | Monday, October 28, 2024 |
| December 2024 | Tuesday, November 26, 2024 |
| January 2025 | Thursday, December 26, 2024 |
| February 2025 | Tuesday, January 28, 2025 |
| March 2025 | Tuesday, February 25, 2025 |
| April 2025 | Wednesday, March 26, 2025 |
| May 2025 | Friday, April 25, 2025 |
| June 2025 | Tuesday, May 27, 2025 |

Refer to the EWDD Style Guide at <https://www.ewddlacity.com/index.php/press/guides-releases> for additional information.

City of Los Angeles Economic & Workforce
Development Department (EWDD)

Style Guide



Contact:

EWDD Communications Team

EWDDComms@lacity.org

This guide is designed to be used as a resource, for both internal EWDD staff, and external contractors/service providers. The City of Los Angeles Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) Style Guide outlines the department’s graphics requirements for marketing materials (i.e. flyers, Eventbrite notices, etc.) that are created to advertise the City's WorkSource, YouthSource, BusinessSource, and other EWDD Programs services that will be distributed to the general public. The Style Guide also provides examples of success stories highlighting the services provided by EWDD and our partner agencies, to be utilized in EWDD social media, website postings, and for inclusion in the General Manager's Weekly Report to the Mayor's Office.

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DEPARTMENT LOGOS

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All flyers created to advertise services, upcoming workshops or job fairs sponsored by EWDD and/or the City of Los Angeles Workforce Development Board (WDB) must include the following logos (not necessarily in this order):



(Left to Right): The City of Los Angeles, EWDD and WDB logos.



Workforce *Development* Board
City of *Los Angeles*



NEW LOGO

WDB's current logo.



Workforce *Investment* Board
City of *Los Angeles*



OLD LOGO

Do not use the old logo on any marketing materials.

Please note that Workforce Development Board (WDB) is no longer WIB. Make sure that you are using the correct and most recent logo of WDB. Also note that the WDB logo is not required for Economic Development Service Providers flyers.

The following are the logos for WorkSource, YouthSource and BusinessSource:



WORKSOURCE LOGO

CMYK CODE:

C: 63%
M: 6%
Y: 100%
K: 0%
#6EB43F



YOUTHSOURCE LOGO

CMYK CODE:

C: 40%
M: 2%
Y: 100%
K: 0%
#a6c939



BUSINESSSOURCE LOGO

CMYK CODE:

C: 65%
M: 21%
Y: 100%
K: 4%
#689940

EWDD DEPARTMENT & PROGRAM LOGOS- WHAT NOT TO DO

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Avoid stretching or distorting any of EWDD's logos.



Do not crop any of EWDD's logos.



Refrain from outlining the logo box on any of EWDD's logos.



Do not use an alternate background color on any of EWDD's logos. Display logos with a solid white or transparent background)



Do not alter the color on any of EWDD's logos.

Proper LOGO USAGE

Here is an example of a flyer that uses the department's logos in an effective and correct manner:

The flyer makes correct usage of the logos by having all three required logos (EWDD, City of LA and WDB), and placing them in such a way that it is easily readable and appealing.



Incorrect LOGO USAGE

Here is an example of a flyer that uses the department's logos in an incorrect manner:

This flyer uses a wrong, outdated WDB logo, the BusinessSource logo color has been changed to a darker green, and the City of LA logo is not scaled correctly.



GRAPHICS REQUIREMENTS AND REVIEW PROCESS

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1. All marketing materials, including social media posts, electronic or print flyers advertising Economic Development programs and events must be submitted by contractors in PDF, JPEG or PNG format to LABusinessSourceAdmin@lacity.org for EDD, and copy edited and proofed for accuracy. Please submit WorkSource and YouthSource materials to contract monitors for review.
2. Once EDD and WDD staff have confirmed sign-off on graphics, please submit to EWDDGraphics@lacity.org. Flyers which need no further editing will receive a final review and confirmation OK to post to EWDD website and @LAEWDD social media channels as necessary/requested within 5 days.
3. Graphics requiring edits will be emailed to the designated WDD/EDD staff to discuss corrections with contractors. Once graphics are corrected, please resubmit the final flyer to EWDDGraphics@lacity.org. Approved graphics will then be posted on the EWDD website and @LAEWDD social media channels as necessary/requested within 5 days.

*Because of the required review process, it is recommended that flyers be submitted for review as early as possible to ensure timely posting.

Below are several checklists to help guide contractors on EWDD's flyer requirements:

ALL graphics must contain correct and accurate information, including:

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dates | <input type="checkbox"/> Location | <input type="checkbox"/> Links/ QR codes (trademark for matrix/ two-dimensional barcode) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Times | <input type="checkbox"/> Contact Info | |

WorkSource and YouthSource flyers MUST include the following:

- LOGOS: EWDD, City of LA and Workforce Development Board (WDB) logos.
- Required WIOA language (EXACT WORDING):

"This WIOA Title I financially assisted program or activity is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities."

IF the flyer is for a specific event, also include the following:

"For more information, call [INSERT NUMBER] or TTY:711 for TRS."

EDD Service Providers flyers MUST include the following:

- LOGOS: EWDD and City of LA.
- NOT REQUIRED – WDB logo.
- Required language:

"Brought to you in partnership with the City of Los Angeles Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) and insert [Service Provider's name]."

- Required language:

"Auxiliary Aids and Services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities."

WIOA LANGUAGE

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All WorkSource and YouthSource media advertising programs funded by the U.S. Department of Labor's Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) must use the exact wording below for taglines on flyers, brochures, letterhead and websites:

"This WIOA Title I financially assisted program or activity is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities."

If the flyer is for a specific event, such as a job fair, additional information should be added to request a reasonable accommodation. When materials indicate that the recipient may be reached by telephone (i.e. a phone number is listed), the materials must also prominently provide the number for Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) (TTY:711).

Ex. "For more information, call [INSERT NUMBER] or TTY:711 for TRS."

FEDERALLY-FUNDED PROGRAMS LANGUAGE

Federally-funded programs, such as the National Dislocated Workers Grant (NDWG), are required to provide specific language.

The Stevens Amendment requires that certain language is mandatory on all public communications regarding federally-funded programs. The language has been incorporated in appropriation bills since 1989, most recently in Public Law 116-94, Division A, the Department of Labor Appropriations Act of 2020.

The requirement reads as follows:

'When issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposals, bid solicitations and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with Federal money, all non-Federal entities receiving Federal funds shall clearly state:

1. The percentage of the total costs of the program or project which will be financed with Federal money;
2. The dollar amount of Federal funds for the project or program; and
3. The percentage and dollar amount of the total costs of the project or program that will be financed by non-governmental sources.'

“Public communications” includes outreach materials, recruiting advertisements, and any other advertisement related to the project, along with the examples provided in the requirement language itself. The description can be a prominent part of the communication or can be in the form of a disclaimer at the bottom of a flyer, whatever works best for the specific communication is acceptable, so long as the required language is present.

A few examples of acceptable language are:

- “This National Dislocated Worker Grant project is fully funded by the Employment and Training Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor as a part of an award totaling \$1,000,000.”
- “This opportunity is 50% funded by the Employment and Training Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor as a part of an award totaling \$1,000,000 and 50% with funds from a State of California grant.”
- “This project is 100% federally-funded in the amount of \$1,000,000.”

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EDD SERVICE PROVIDERS LANGUAGE

EDD Service Providers flyers must use the following language:

“Brought to you in partnership with the City of Los Angeles Economic and Workforce Development Department and [insert EDD Service Provider name].”

Since BusinessSource Centers work in tandem with WorkSource and YouthSource Centers, all BusinessSource flyers must also contain the following language at the bottom of their flyers:

“Auxiliary Aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.”

TRANSLATION SERVICES

All flyers for EWDD services or events that are prepared in Spanish or another language must be sent to the EWDD Public Information Officer at EWDDComms@lacity.org for review. EWDD will route all flyers prepared in languages other than English to EWDD staff identified for translation.

EWDD Branded Marketing Materials

Any EWDD branded marketing materials (e.g. pens, bags, etc.) considered to be purchased/ordered by EWDD staff must be reviewed by the EWDD Communications Team to ensure compliance with the use of the EWDD logo. Once the EWDD branded marketing materials are identified and “mocked up,” forward to EWDDComms@lacity.org no less than 2 weeks prior to the date of ordering for logo usage review/approval.

MOTION PICTURE/PHOTOGRAPHY RELEASE/CONSENT FORMS

MOTION PICTURE/PHOTOGRAPHY

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) participants automatically sign release forms upon enrolling at EWDD’s YouthSource and WorkSource Centers granting permission for their likeness to be used in photos and or/video that may be used across EWDD websites, printed material and or/social media. The motion picture/photograph release forms below were created for EDD Service Providers participants and LA:RISE participants to fulfill the same purpose. As EWDD begins administering new programs, with the potential to be featured in the EWDD website, printed material and/or social media, please advise EWDD’s Communications Team so similar forms can be created.



[Download BusinessSource Release Form \(English Version\)](#)

[Download BusinessSource Release Form \(Spanish Version\)](#)

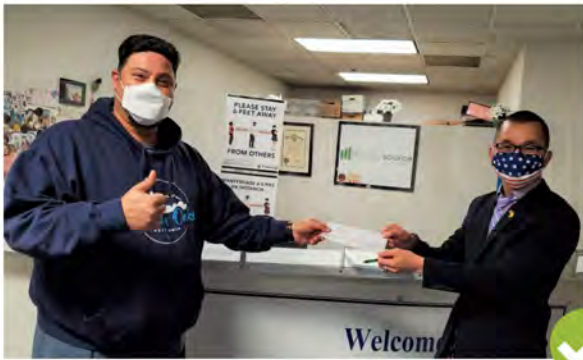
[Download LA: RISE Consent Form](#)

PHOTO SUBMISSIONS

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Photos submitted to EWDD for consideration to be used in EWDD Updates, the General Manager's Weekly Report to the Mayor's Office must be high-resolution images with at least 600 dpi. Please submit to the EWDD Communications Team at EWDDComms@lacity.org as a separate file in JPEG or PNG format and **do not** imbed into a Word File or PDF. Photos should include people, be mindful of diversity, and clearly illustrate the event, service, etc. Also, taking into consideration COVID-19 safety protocols, take photos illustrating participants wearing masks AND practicing social distancing.

Examples of high-quality (HQ) acceptable photos:



Examples of photos that are not acceptable:

Try to avoid sending low-quality cell phone photos because they will not translate well in EWDD's Weekly Report or online marketing materials.



In this photo, the resolution is too low.



In this photo, the subject is too dark.

When submitting your photos, please provide original versions along with any edited or photoshopped versions. Send original photos, edited photos and logo files separately.

For example:



(Edited Version)



(Original Version)

- Allow for enough headspace between the top of the subject's head and the top of the frame.
- Center the subject off to one side. **Do not** place the subject directly in the center of the frame.
- To meet film and video industry standards, the subject should be looking at the interviewer, not at the camera.
- Always get B-roll! The more B-roll, the better! Follow up with the interviewee if you need more B-roll content (photos, etc)
- If you film horizontally, use 1920x1080, 24 frames per second
- If you film vertically, use 1080x1920, 24 frames per second
- For more tips, view EWDD's **Video Content 101 Guide**.



Examples of previous EWDD videos filmed horizontally:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/CDDCLAVideos/videos>

For examples of previous EWDD videos filmed vertically, view EWDD's Instagram (@laewdd)!

EWDD's WorkSource Centers are part of the America's Job Center of California (AJCC) network. In the City of Los Angeles, AJCCs are referred to as WorkSource Centers.

The America's Job Center of California (AJCC) name and logo are trademarks of the State of California. Each use of the marks must indicate its status as a mark by including the service mark (SM) symbol for services. If the mark(s) appear numerous times in a printed matter such as a brochure, the service mark notice should follow the mark at least once in each piece of the printed material, usually the first time the mark appears on the page.

For more information, please reference [WDS Directive 14-04](#)

Co-branding the WorkSource & YouthSource systems with the America's Job Center of California Name

[WDS Directive 14-04](#)

For more information specific to branding protocols for the City's WorkSource and YouthSource Centers, please reference [WDS Directive 15-07](#)

WorkSource YouthSource Branding protocols

[WDS Directive 15-07](#)

AMERICA'S JOB CENTER OF CALIFORNIA (AJCC) STYLE GUIDE

For more information, please reference:

America's Job Centers of California Style Guide

[AJCC Style Guide \(State of CA Workforce Development Board\)](#)

EDD SERVICE PROVIDERS BRANDING PROTOCOLS

For more information specific to branding and marketing protocols for EDD Service Providers, please reference EDD Directive 22-01.

DEPARTMENT BRANDING COLORS

Primarily use blue, green, yellow and orange color tones. These colors have been selected based on department's logo colors and others such as those in our HIRE LA's Youth program logo.

There is no specific CMYK for the color tones needed in the design of marketing material, as long as the colors stay within range of the four colors specified above.



Examples of Marketing Material with Branding Colors

Fill out the L.A. Youth Employment Survey!

Young people of Los Angeles, we want to hear your voice! We created this brief 3-4 minute survey to hear directly from you about what kind of job and internship opportunities you are looking for this summer and beyond.

Were you part of the City of LA's gang injunction settlement?

| | | |
|---|--|--|
| <p>Eligibility Requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You must be identified as a class member of the Rodriguez Settlement. Must have lived in one of the 26 Gang Injunction Areas in the City of Los Angeles in South LA, the San Fernando Valley or Wilmington/Harbor Areas. Must present claim approval/acceptance letter, photo ID or other forms of identification. | <p>Settlement Benefits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FREE job training College tuition costs at an accredited school Tattoo removal services You can also transfer the jobs and education benefits to your spouse, or child. | <p>Contact Information</p> <p>For more information and to apply:</p> <p>bit.ly/LAICAZ 313-744-8008 LAICAZ.0Advocacy@lacity.org</p> <p>If you have lost your job due to COVID-19, we are here to help!</p> |
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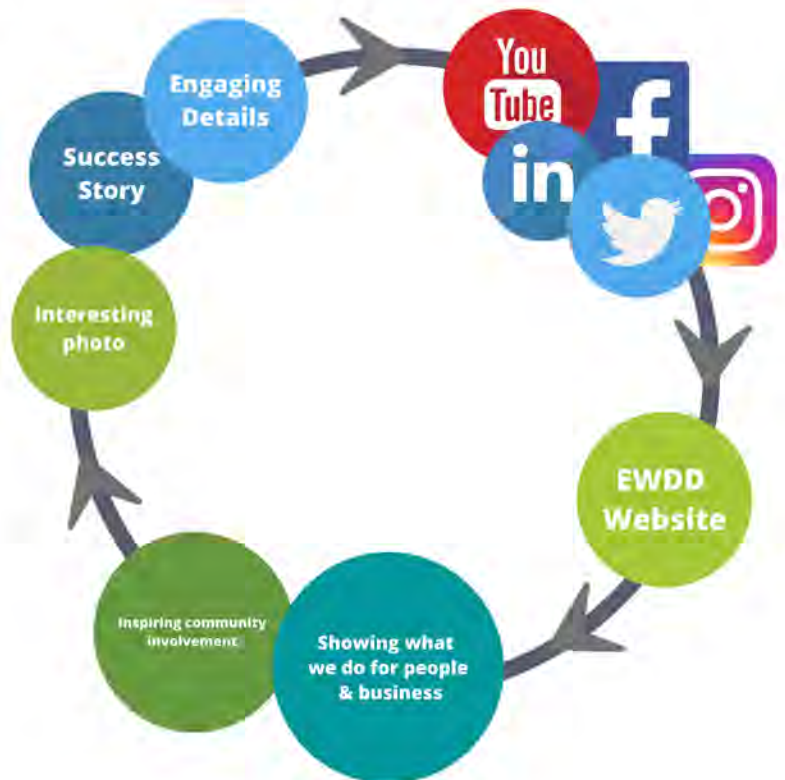
What is EWDD Updates?

EWDD Updates is a report from the General Manager of EWDD to the City of Los Angeles Mayor's Office to summarize EWDD's weekly accomplishments. In addition to the Mayor's Office, EWDD Updates is distributed to hundreds of readers, including elected and government officials, local media, City of LA staff, partnering agencies and workforce experts.

Why are the success stories important?

EWDD is a unique City department because the services we provide directly contribute to the success of Angelenos. We help youth who are not in school get back into the education system or into job training for living-wage jobs. We help job seekers find work, and businesses launch and thrive.

Our success stories inspire clients to seek out our services and embolden employers to work with us to offer jobs. EWDD's success stories are distributed to the Mayor's Office, the EWDD website and social media, which drive clients to our services.



- 1** A great photo!
- 2** Include the five Ws – Who, What, When, Where and Why? AND sometimes How.
- 3** A Human Interest aspect - which presents people and situations and achievements that readers relate to or find motivating or inspiring.
- 4** Remember, EWDD success stories are shared across several mediums – print, web and social media.
- 5** What makes you want to click on a story to read it? Apply those ideas to your submissions.

(For examples on how to write an effective story, reference EWDD's [Style Guide](#) and [EWDD's Weekly Updates](#))

WORKSOURCE SUCCESS STORY EXAMPLE & SOCIAL ANALYTICS


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Example of Social Media Engagement on LinkedIn and Instagram

LinkedIn:
16 Likes

Instagram:
34 Likes

 **Private LinkedIn Profile** I love your story Michelle! You are an inspiration! I am so proud of you for overcoming addiction, for being a true hero for your daughter, and for giving back and helping others. This is why I fell in love with the Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD). EWDD gives hope, support, and a fresh start to disconnected youth like Michelle. 🙌🏻💖🙌🏻
[Read less](#)



*Comment from a reader- Audiences enjoy reading stories where program participants overcome challenging life obstacles! Could be inspirational to someone going through a similar situation.



Tie back to EWDD — In success stories, always tie back to how the program is connected to EWDD.

Background — Start off by discussing the challenges the participant was experiencing prior to getting assistance.

Outcome + Great Quote — Discuss the positive outcomes that resulted from the participant receiving assistance from the program: how did the program change the participant's life? Did they get a new job? Did they learn a new skill? Ending it with an inspirational quote!

LA:RISE HELPS RECOVERING PARTICIPANT FIND FULL-TIME JOB

EWDD is a leadership team partner of the Los Angeles Regional Initiative for Social Enterprise (LA:RISE). This innovative, collaborative partnership unites the City and County of Los Angeles' Workforce Development System (WDS) with non-profit social enterprises and for-profit employers to help individuals with high barriers to employment get good jobs and stay employed. In this week's issue, we share an inspirational story from LA:RISE participant Michelle.

"For five years, I struggled with addiction. I believe I was lost for a really long time. I often found myself in dangerous situations. I dropped out of school when I was 17 and faced incarceration, homelessness, abuse, and unemployment. I struggled with co-dependency issues and physical abuse when I met the father of my daughter. I became pregnant while I was in my active addiction. When my daughter was born, the hospitals contacted the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) because of my substance abuse and neglecting myself while pregnant. My daughter was born with a lung infection and medical condition caused by my drug use. When the DPSS worker explained that they would place her in foster care, I felt hopeless and lost. I decided to go to treatment to do whatever it took to regain custody."

After seven months in treatment, Michelle was granted "home of parent" and her daughter was allowed to live with her.

"Overjoyed and filled with gratitude, I knew I'd overcome my first hurdle. I then transitioned to a sober living home and spent six months caring for my daughter. My public assistance check was not enough to cover our expenses and finding employment was difficult due to my gap in employment and lack of work experience."

Michelle discovered LA:RISE partner, the Center for Living and Learning, where a community health worker helped connect her with LA:RISE. She was placed in the center's Customer Service Training program. Her duties included general office work, data entry, and customer service. She built skills fairly quickly and received recognition for her positive work attitude. Within two months, she was offered a permanent position as a Call Center Coordinator and Case Manager. The job gave her the confidence to obtain her driver's license and save to purchase her first car. She was also granted full legal physical custody of her daughter.

Michelle said that she appreciated the flexibility of the LA:RISE program and its aim to support participants in achieving their goals.

"My LA:RISE experience provided opportunities for much progress and success. I am very thankful for all the support I have received. I have become an effective leader and communicator. I feel a sense of belonging. Everything I do is meaningful and fuels my passion to help people."

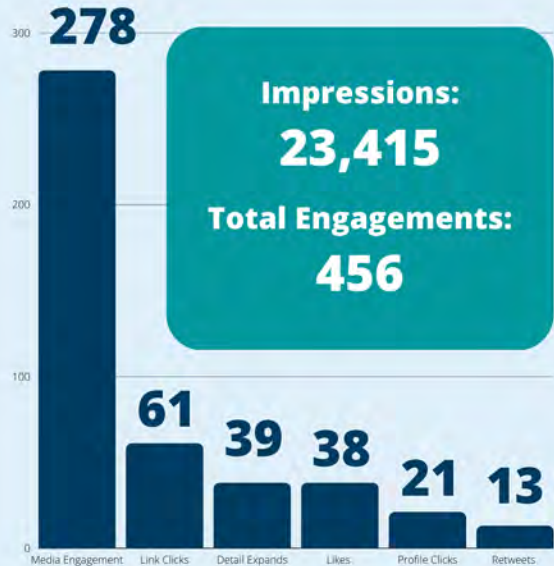
YOUTHSOURCE SUCCESS STORY EXAMPLE & SOCIAL ANALYTICS



YOUTHSOURCE SUCCESS STORY EXAMPLE

The inaugural "A Conservation With..." event featured actor Danny Trejo. It provided all the elements of an ideal YouthSource Success Story – a great photo, great quotes and unparalleled audience engagement for EWDD.

Example of Social Media Engagement on Twitter



A LOT OF HELP FROM INFLUENCER FRIENDS

- @officialDannyT has more than 1.9M Instagram followers, a fan base built from Danny's wide range of roles from Spy Kids to Machete. He retweeted @LAEWDD's original tweet, which helped us receive hundreds of engagements.
- Support from @MayorofLA also increases engagement with @LAEWDD social media content.

DIAGRAM OF A SUCCESSFUL EWDD YOUTHSOURCE SUCCESS STORY

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A GREAT PHOTO



“A CONVERSATION WITH...” - ACTOR DANNY TREJO INAUGURAL GUEST IN NEW EWDD YOUTHSOURCE SERIES

In a heartfelt, humorous, and candid conversation, Actor Danny Trejo shared his life story with a room full of 75 young Angelenos from EWDD’s YouthSource Centers, describing his transformation from a prison inmate with a drug addiction to a successful actor, entrepreneur and drug counselor who has dedicated his life to helping others.

“Everything good that has happened to me is a direct result of helping someone else,” he said. “I promise you, the more people you help in one day, the better your life is going to get. It’s just the way it works.”

Mr. Trejo was the inaugural guest in EWDD’s “A Conversation With...” series. EWDD Youth Operations Director Brenda Anderson launched the series to provide an opportunity for the City’s YouthSource participants to interact with influencers who faced similar challenges and overcame obstacles to build successful careers. Upcoming discussion topics include mental health, foster care and homelessness.

During the event, held at Goodwill Southern California on Tuesday, July 24, 2018, Mr. Trejo fielded questions from youth about how to maintain sobriety, resist peer pressure and set a positive example. Many also asked Mr. Trejo to provide his definition of personal success.

Many youth expressed gratitude for the opportunity to meet Mr. Trejo and said the event was a valuable learning experience.

“The most memorable moment was when I saw him come in. It was my first time meeting someone with a similar background as mine, someone who I could identify and has inspired me to better myself. He has changed his life and is now sending a positive message to the community. Thank you for the experience,” said Ricky Leon, a youth from the Para Los Niños YouthSource Center.

STAR POWER —

Danny Trejo is a well-known actor with local ties to Los Angeles, including the Valley, which enhanced his connection to the Youth participants. The audience greeted him with a standing ovation.

TIE BACK TO EWDD —

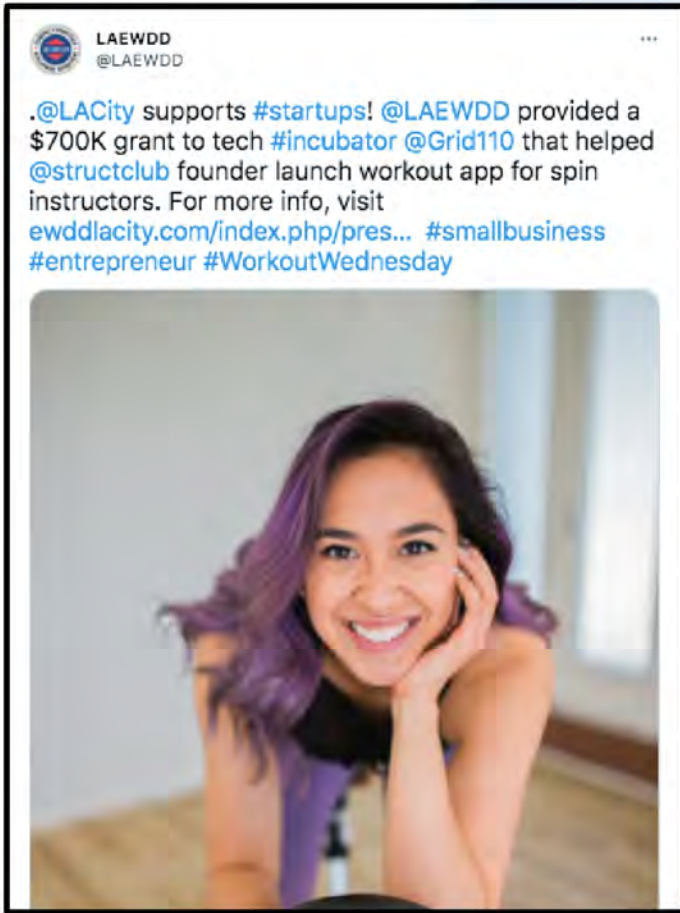
This success story illustrated a new program unique to EWDD that engaged youth interest and allowed them to connect with role models who overcame similar obstacles.

GREAT QUOTE —

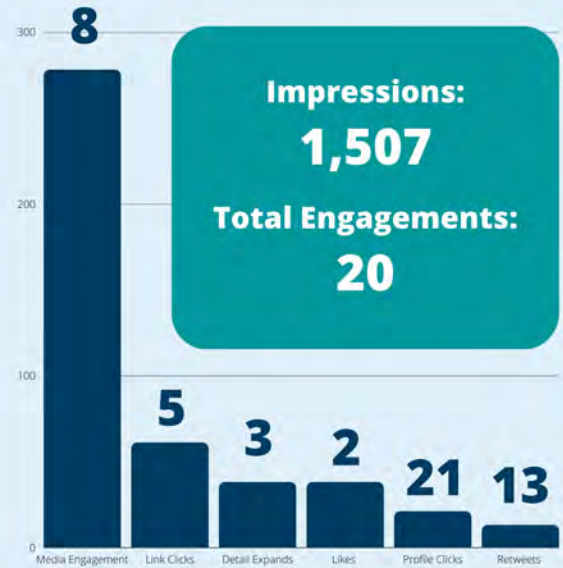
An authentic voice from a Para Los Niños YouthSource participant expressing what the experience meant for him.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION STORY EXAMPLE & SOCIAL ANALYTICS

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Example of Social Media Engagement on Twitter



Instagram Likes: 18

DIAGRAM OF A SUCCESSFUL EWDD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUCCESS STORY

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GRID 110 INCUBATOR LAUNCHES STRUCT CLUB APP FOR SPIN INSTRUCTORS

EWDD administers and supports several incubators in the City of Los Angeles through Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding, including Grid110, an economic and community development non-profit dedicated to creating pathways to success for early-stage entrepreneurs.

Grid110, a 501c3 clean technology start-up incubator dedicated to helping entrepreneurs launch their businesses, recently celebrated alum Amira Polack, founder of the app Struct Club. "Struct Club is a transformed company because of Grid110," Amira said in a profile Grid110 published on the online publishing forum Medium. Grid110 assisted Struct Club in developing team growth, product progress, business contacts, office space, affordable access to exclusive networking opportunities and free credits for tech, Amira said. Struct Club is an app for iPhones and Spotify that allows spin and cycling fitness instructors to choreograph a class one time and share that class on a teleprompter with students, instead of choreographing a lesson for each class session.

EWDD administers and supports Grid110 through a \$700,000 Community Development Block Grant. Grid110 has a mission to improve the economic health of LA by helping local tech entrepreneurs grow their businesses through innovative and sustainable pathways, creating a thriving tech hub in Downtown Los Angeles. The City of Los Angeles is a proud supporter of businesses and incubators that drive the forward momentum of a green technology sector in our community. LA is committed more than ever to a progressive plan that will secure clean air, clean water and an increasingly stable climate, that also promotes sustainability and economic growth.

INTRO:

Write a brief 1-2 sentence intro about how EWDD's Economic Development Division administers three separate programs - 1. BusinessSource Centers; 2. Incubators and 3. Healthy Markets.

BACKGROUND:

Explainer text- What is a BusinessSource Center? What is an incubator? What is a healthy market program?

HOW DOES THIS APPLY?

The Struct Club story is an example of how Incubators help innovative businesses launch in LA. The photos were great. The business supports a woman-owned health and wellness business.

Does your story include all these points?

1. Who? Individual names and business names. (please check the spelling!)
2. What? What did EWDD/your organization do to help? What was EWDD's/your organization's involvement? What services were provided? What skills were taught? What was the outcome? What was the result of EWDD's/your organization's assistance?
3. When? Dates? When did EWDD/your organization provide the assistance?
4. Where? Location? Where did the client receive help? Where are they opening their business? If it's a job seeker, where are they working now?
5. Why? What is the end result? Why was it important that the client receive the help? What did it allow them to accomplish?
6. How? "Similar to why, how did our actions and assistance impact the client? Here is a chance to add an inspirational quote. '[Your amazing center] helped me [find a job, feed my family, open my business.]'"

Example: From a story "FEEDING MORE FAMILIES: SOUTH LA BUSINESSSOURCE CENTER FINDS NEW LOCATION FOR WORLD HARVEST FOODBANK, TRIPLING SPACE FOR DONATIONS" The CEO of the company said, "We're going to be able to bring more food, products and resources to help families, it's going to be so much better."

Any questions?

If you have additional questions, please contact the EWDD Communications Team at (213) 744-7300 or EWDDComms@lacity.org.

Thanks!





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VIDEO CONTENT 101

A GUIDE FOR VIDEO CONTENT

Prepared by the City of Los Angeles
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How to tell the City's COVID-19 recovery stories?



COVID-19 Economic Recovery Grants

The COVID-19 global pandemic devastated small businesses in the City of Los Angeles, resulting in a substantial economic decline, particularly in disadvantaged communities.

Since 2021, the City's Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD) has administered more than **\$100 million** in grants to help small businesses, families and workers recover from the economic setbacks created by the pandemic.

This video storytelling guide provides instructions to EWDD's BusinessSource, WorkSource and YouthSource Centers on how to film stories to share how COVID-19 grant funding is helping Angelenos bounce back from the pandemic. The videos will be posted across @LAEWDD social media accounts on Instagram, Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn, along with the EWDD website.

EWDD thanks you for your efforts. If you have any questions, please reach out to EWDD Public Information Officer Jamie Francisco at jamie.francisco@lacity.org or (213) 276-9321.

Happy storytelling!

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Video Tips - Framing and Recording

- Allow for enough headspace between the top of the subject's head and the top of the frame.
- Center the subject off to one side. **Do not** place the subject directly in the center of the frame.
- To meet film and video industry-standards, the subject should be looking at the interviewer, not at the camera.
- Always get b-roll! The more b-roll, the better! Follow up with the interviewee if you need more b-roll content (photos, etc)
- If you film horizontally, use 1920x1080, 24 frames per second
- If you film vertically, use 1080x1920, 24 frames per second



Examples of previous EWDD videos filmed horizontally:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/CDDCLAVideos/videos>

For examples of previous EWDD videos filmed vertically, view EWDD's Instagram (@laewdd)!

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Interview tips: What questions to ask?



What is the best way to structure interviews?

- Before you begin asking the questions, advise the subject to state the question within their answers. For example: If you ask, *"What are the reasons as to why you started your small business?"* Have the subject respond with, *"The reasons as to why I started my small business are"*
- The first question should be to ask the subject to state their name and title. For example: *"Hi my name is Alex Sanches and I am the owner of..."*
- Avoid asking "yes" or "no" questions! Ask questions that will warrant longer, detailed responses.
- In between each question, allow for a pause.
- If your interviewee doesn't provide a concise answer to one of your questions, go back and ask them to clarify further. Listen for interesting sound bites.
- Towards the end of the interview, always ask "Is there anything you would like to add?" Interviewees typically have more things to say and as the interview closes, they are become relaxed in their responses. These additional details tend to be the best responses!

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TIPS - Filming interviews on Zoom

In the era of COVID, you can also record video interviews on Zoom! If you can't film the interview in-person, here are some Zoom filming tips:

- Advise the interviewee to be in a **quiet room** when conducting the interview.
- Advise interviewee to have **stable Wi-Fi**. This allows for the audio and video to be clear and useable.
- Make sure the subject is **framed at a flattering angle**.
- Advise the subject to have **good lighting**. Their face should appear clear and bright on the screen.
- Follow the interviewing structure on page 3.

Now you're all set to film!



(Bad lighting vs. Good lighting)



(Bad angle vs. Good angle)



(Film horizontally)

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Date

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