



Office of the City Manager

Discussion Regarding a Career Technical Education (CTE) Pilot Program & Partnership

Special Joint Meeting
Pasadena City Council & Pasadena Unified School District
Monday, March 20, 2023

Item 3





Background

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- Professional, Technical & Skilled Trades are an important part of the City's workforce.
- A stakeholder group began meeting in the summer of 2022 to discuss piloting a program to expand Career Technical Education (CTE) offerings in Pasadena.

> Stakeholders included:

- Pasadena City College
- Pasadena Unified School District
- Huntington Hospital
- Rusnak Automotive Group
- Doheny Eye Institute
- LA/ OC Building Trades Council
- LA County Federation of Labor & elected officials



Vision to Expand & Strengthen CTE

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The working group crafted a **vision** to guide its discussions and considered certain outcomes by which success could be measured.

Everyone deserves a path to success. Many choose the opportunity of a college education as their path to that goal. Our mission is to offer alternative pathways of training and education in professions and vocations to assist people in achieving the knowledge and skills that lead to successful and fulfilling careers.



Career Technical Education in Pasadena

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- The working group reviewed the existing programs offered by PCC & PUSD.
- It became apparent that there is a **gap in existing programs** and an opportunity to pilot a pre-apprenticeship program in the building & construction trades with the LA/OC Building Trades Council.
- The working group feels strongly that the building & construction trades pilot is just the start.
- The City's existing partnerships can be strengthened and is an opportunity to **attract grant funds** to support the effort.



Opportunities for Collaboration- City, PCC, & PUSD

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The City is fortunate to have great CTE programs and resources at PCC and PUSD. There is an opportunity to create new, and build upon, existing synergies to support the local workforce with high-wage jobs in fulfilling careers.

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