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### **L.A COUNTY SUMMER 2016 YOUTH JOB & RESOURCES FAIR**

East Los Angeles (June 18, 2016): Today, the County of Los Angeles Community and Senior Services, in coordination with the Honorable Hilda L. Solis, will host the Summer 2016 L.A. County Youth Job and Resources Fair at East Los Angeles College. This event brings together a coalition of more than 60 employers, community-based organizations and community colleges from throughout the region around a shared commitment to investing in the region's youth.

"I am very pleased that the County of Los Angeles is joining with a coalition of more than 60 employers, community-based organizations and community colleges to provide our region's youth with career exposure, employment opportunities, and supportive resources," said Supervisor Hilda Solis, Chair of the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors. "My own life story demonstrates that when communities come together to invest in their youth, it is truly an investment in the leaders of tomorrow."

This event is part of the County's ongoing commitment to regional efforts that meet the employment and educational needs of the County's youth, particularly those who are both out of school and out of work. Two in five people who are unemployed in Los Angeles County are between the ages of 16 and 24. The event builds on the 100k Opportunities Initiative Hiring Fair held in February 2016 in Los Angeles, which brought together dozens of employers and more than 4,000 youth.

"I could not be more excited that my Department is spearheading this regional effort to connect youth to career opportunities and resources," said Cynthia Banks, Director of Los Angeles County Community and Senior Services. "One of the leading goals of my Department is to ensure every youth in Los Angeles County has the tools and opportunities to gain meaningful work experience that will help them advance their education and careers."

More than 1,800 youth, ages 14-24, from throughout Los Angeles County registered for the Summer 2016 L.A. County Youth Job and Resources Fair. Youth in attendance will

have the opportunity to meet with more than 60 exhibitors and to gain exposure to career and educational career pathways in high-growth sectors such as healthcare, biosciences, construction, global trade and logistics, hospitality and manufacturing. In addition, youth will learn how to build a compelling resume, how to apply for a job, and how to interview. Specific workshops include: Entrepreneurship 101, All You Ever Wanted to Know About The Trades, Social Media Best Practices, Workplace & Wage Theft Protection, How to Apply for Scholarships, Financial Literacy: Saving and Budgeting, How to Apply for a County Job, L.A. County Safety Youth Program, and many others.

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Chair Supervisor Hilda Solis, and Director of Los Angeles County Community and Senior Services, Cynthia Banks, will deliver remarks at 12:30pm at East Los Angeles College's Ingalls Auditorium.

### **About Community and Senior Services**

Community and Senior Services (CSS) is committed to providing services which have positive impacts on the lives of the citizens of Los Angeles County. We provide employment services to adults and youth. We work with employers in times of hiring and downsizing. We offer mediation services to avoid court filings. We investigate abuse claims against our older adult and disabled population. We provide nutrition and other life-enhancing services to older adults. Our Human Relations Commission is dedicated to fostering positive inter-group relations.

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