

15 March 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

As the Chief Program Officer of Interfaith Community Services, I, Filipa Rios, endorse the Social Work certificate of achievement at City College, Palomar, Southwestern, Mira Costa and Cuyamaca. I confirm that there is an unmet labor market demand in San Diego County for the occupations that this program trains for. The occupations that this program provides training for include:

- Case Manager
- Outreach Specialist
- Wellness Coach
- Social Worker

Individuals working in these occupations can expect to earn between \$22.50 and \$24.00 in entry-level positions and we are always looking for well-trained, qualified candidates like those from these colleges.

This affirms that there are jobs available for program completers within the local service area of the college after taking into account the number of completers in similar programs at other institutions—as required by Education Code section 78015 and the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office Program and Course Approval Handbook (PCAH).

Sincerely,

Filipa Rios

Chief Program Officer



March 13, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

As the CEO of NAMI San Diego, I, Cathryn Nacario, endorse the Social Work certificate of achievement at City College, Palomar, Southwestern, Mira Costa and Cuyamaca. I confirm that there is an unmet labor market demand in San Diego County for the occupations that this program trains for. The occupations that this program provides training for include:

- Case Manager
- Outreach Specialist
- Wellness Coach
- Social Worker

Individuals working in these occupations can expect to earn between \$22.00 and \$45.00 in entry-level positions and we are always looking for well-trained, qualified candidates like those from these colleges.

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Sincerely,

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March 3, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

As a representative from PATH San Diego, I, Hanan Scrapper endorse the Program for Engaged Educational Resources at San Diego City College. I confirm that there is an unmet labor market demand in San Diego County, for the occupations that this program trains for. The occupations that this program provides training for include:

- Case manager
- Outreach Specialist
- Peer Support Specialist
- Housing Specialist

Individuals working in these occupations can expect to earn between \$45K-\$50K in entry-level positions.

In the past 1-2 years, I have hired 7 students fromt the Program for Engaged Educational Resources at San Diego Community College, and expect to hire more Case Managers, Outreach Specialists, Peer Support Specialists and Housing Specialists in the upcoming year.

This affirms that there are jobs available for program completers within the local service area of the college after taking into account the number of completers in similar programs at other institutions—as required by Education Code section 78015 and the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office Program and Course Approval Handbook (PCAH).

Sincerely,

Hanan Scrapper

Regional Director, PATH San Diego

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March 15, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

I write this letter in support of San Diego City College's intent to create a Certificate of Achievement in Social Work/Services/Human Services, intended to be stackable towards an associate's degree and/or transfer to a university.

There is an unmet labor market demand in San Diego County for the occupations for which this program trains students. Occupations include:

- Case Manager
- Peer Navigators
- Housing Specialists
- Wellness Coaches
- Social Services Workers

As part of the San Diego Housing Commission's (Commission) comprehensive approach to addressing homelessness, the Commission and San Diego Community College District collaborated to design Homelessness PEER in 2021, an educational program focused on creating a cohort of professionals to meet the immediate and long-term workforce needs for the City of San Diego's homelessness programs and services. Utilizing best practices, Homelessness PEER's objective is to provide a pipeline for students into employment opportunities in homelessness services via specialized education, training, and job placement assistance.

The partnership has resulted in 41 San Diego City College students and alum being hired or offered internships with a variety of homelessness service providers. Partner organizations, many of which contract with the Commission to provide housing and services to people experiencing homelessness, participate in job fairs and offer on the spot interviews.

The Commission is in full support of advocating for homelessness service position candidates who are better educated, more skilled, and able to access higher paying positions.

Sincerely,

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