Working to Create Jobs and Turn the Economy Around in San Diego County

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Senator Barbara Boxer's top priority is creating jobs and turning our economy around, and she has a specific plan to do this. Her plan includes: creating thousands of clean energy jobs and making California the hub of the clean energy economy; ending tax breaks for companies that ship jobs overseas; cracking down on Wall Street speculation and instead lending to small businesses; investing in infrastructure and creating new jobs; and reducing the deficit.

Senator Boxer supported the economic recovery act, which GOP Senate nominee Carly Fiorina opposes. From the recovery act, San Diego County has been awarded a total of \$1.42 billion for 1,376 investments in the community.

Here are some examples of investments in the community that are helping to create jobs and revitalize the economy in San Diego County. [Recovery.ca.gov]

\$73.9 million for the California Department of Transportation to construct a roadway in San Diego County is creating or retaining jobs. The California Department of Transportation was awarded \$73.9 million to construct a roadway from I-805 to Otay Mesa Port of Entry. The grant is creating or retaining jobs in the construction and construction management industries. [Award Number A905019]

\$75.6 million for the California Department of Transportation to construct a highway in San Diego County is creating or retaining 27 jobs. The California Department of Transportation was awarded \$75.6 million to construct a four-lane highway in North County from Oceanside through the San Luis Rey Valley. The grant is creating or retaining 27 jobs in the construction and construction management industries. [Award Number P076024]

\$70.1 million for the San Diego Association of Governments to make infrastructure investments is creating or retaining 89 jobs. The San Diego Association of Governments was awarded \$70.1 million to support the construction of a transit center and rehabilitate a bridge and the light rail transportation system. The grant is creating or retaining 86 jobs for bus operators and design staff. [Award Number CA-96-X027-00]

\$10.7 million for the North San Diego County Transit Development Board to invest in public transportation is creating or retaining 26 jobs. The North San Diego County Transit Development Board was awarded \$10.7 million to improve existing transportation technology, replace and renew infrastructure, and provide commuter rail transit service. The grant is creating or retaining 26 jobs for mechanics, maintenance workers, and contractors specializing in railroad improvements, transit operations, and construction. [Award Number CA-96-X016]

\$8.5 million for the California Department of Transportation to improve traffic congestion is creating or retaining 27 jobs. The California Department of Transportation was awarded \$8.5 million

to reconstruct and add capacity to Highway 805 in Chula Vista. The grant is creating or retaining 27 jobs in the construction and construction management industries. [Award Number 8051608]

- \$4.9 million for the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority to improve airport safety is creating or retaining 12 jobs. The San Diego County Regional Airport Authority was awarded \$4.9 million to install airfield guidance signs and elevated runway guard lights. The grant is creating or retaining 12 jobs for airfield painters and others. [Award Number 3-06-0214-058-2009]
- **\$32.7** million for General Atomics to invest in clean energy technology is creating or retaining **23** jobs. General Atomics was awarded \$32.7 million to research and develop a proof of concept for the Arleigh Burke class destroyer hybrid electric drive. The contract is creating or retaining 23 skilled engineering jobs. [Award Number N00024-09-C-4222]
- \$9.6 million for Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects to improve the Otay Mesa Land Port of Entry in San Diego is creating or retaining 13 jobs. Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects was awarded \$9.6 million to modernize and expand the Otay Mesa Land Port of Entry. The contract is creating or retaining 13 jobs for technicians, engineers, and designers. [Award Number GS-07P-09-HH-D-0020]
- \$12.3 million for R.A. Burch Construction Co. to improve Naval Base San Diego is creating or retaining 10 jobs. R.A. Burch Construction Co. was awarded \$12.3 million to repair and modernize part of Naval Base San Diego. The contract is creating or retaining 10 jobs for architects and engineers. [Award Number N62473-08-D-8607]
- \$8.3 million for T.B. Penick & Sons to build a child development center at Naval Base Point Loma is creating or retaining 58 jobs. T.B. Penick & Sons was awarded \$8.3 million to design and manage the construction of a child development center at Naval Base Point Loma in San Diego. The contract is creating or retaining 58 design-build, project management, and project administration jobs. [Award Number N62473-08-D-8618]
- \$6 million for HDR Architecture to design a hospital for Camp Pendleton is creating or retaining 22 jobs. HDR Architecture was awarded \$6.0 million to provide design build services for a hospital replacement at Camp Pendleton. The contract is creating or retaining 22 engineering, architectural, and technical jobs. [Award Number N62470-09-D-9044]
- \$3.9 million for Synergy Electric Company to install solar energy systems at Naval Base Coronado is creating or retaining 14 jobs. Synergy Electric Company was awarded \$3.9 million to install roofing, photovoltaic systems, and electrical systems at Naval Base Coronado. The contract is creating or retaining 14 jobs for roofers, laborers, electricians, and others. [Award Number N68711-05-D-4013]
- **\$2.6** million for Stronghold Engineering to install solar energy systems at Naval Base San Diego is creating or retaining 23 jobs. Stronghold Engineering Incorporated was awarded \$2.6 million to install roofing, solar photovoltaic power systems, and electrical wiring at Naval Base San Diego. The contract is creating or retaining 23 jobs, including jobs for electricians, engineers, laborers, and plumbers. [Award Number N68711-05-D-4012]
- **\$7.4** million for Barnhart-Balfour Beatty to make improvements to Camp Pendleton is creating or retaining **53** jobs. Barnhart-Balfour Beatty was awarded \$7.4 million to repair and renovate part of Camp Pendleton. The contract is creating or retaining **53** jobs, including jobs for electricians,

mechanics, laborers, plumbers, sheet metal workers, carpenters, and masons. [Award Number N62473-06-D-1059]

- \$1.1 million for Pereira, Jose Engineering and Mechanical to repair facilities at a Marine Corps recruiting depot in San Diego is creating or retaining 80 jobs. Pereira, Jose Engineering and Mechanical was awarded \$1.1 million to repair a dining facility at a Marine Corps recruiting depot in San Diego. The contract is creating or retaining 80 jobs, including jobs for framers, plumbers, and laborers. [Award Number N62473-09-C-1241]
- **\$2.2** million for Family Health Centers of San Diego to increase access to affordable health care is creating or retaining 16 jobs. Family Health Centers of San Diego was awarded \$2.2 million to expand services and fund new jobs at its network of health centers. The grant is creating or retaining 16 jobs throughout its organization. [Award Number H8BCS12293]
- **\$3.1** million for Vista Community Clinic to improve and expand access to its services is creating or retaining 44 jobs. Vista Community Clinic was awarded \$3.1 million to equip a new clinic site, repair another clinic site, implement electronic medical records (EMR), and expand access to its services. The grants are creating or retaining 44 IT support, EMR training, provider, and support jobs. [Award Numbers C81CS13374] and H8BCS12599]
- **\$2.3** million for Centro De Salud De La Comunidad De San Ysidro to expand access to health care is creating or retaining 33 jobs. Centro De Salud De La Comunidad De San Ysidro was awarded \$2.3 million to establish a new access point and increase access to primary health care services. The grants are creating or retaining 33 jobs for primary care providers and medical, patient, and administrative staff. [Award Numbers H8ACS11418 and H8BCS11878]
- \$1.1 million for Neighborhood Healthcare to expand access to health care is creating or retaining 14 jobs. Neighborhood Healthcare was awarded \$1.1 million to expand services at health center sites in an underserved area. The grant is creating or retaining 14 jobs for medical staff. [Award Number <u>H8BCS11835</u>]
- \$4 million for the City of San Diego to invest in infrastructure and affordable housing will create or retain more than 100 jobs. The City of San Diego was awarded \$4.0 million to invest in public facilities, infrastructure, and affordable housing rehabilitation projects. The grant will create or retain between 102 and 122 jobs for engineers, carpenters, electricians, laborers, masons, plumbers, roofers, and others. [Award Number B-09-MY-06-0542]
- **\$5.8** million for the City of Escondido to improve drinking water is creating or retaining **15** jobs. The City of Escondido was awarded \$5.8 million to construct drinking water facilities and green infrastructure. The grant is creating or retaining **15** jobs for engineers, operators, and technicians. [Award Number <u>3710006-004</u>]
- **\$2.6** million for Sierra Pacific West to help replace NOAA's La Jolla laboratory is creating or retaining 11 jobs. Sierra Pacific West was awarded \$2.6 million to provide all labor, materials, equipment, and supervision to prepare to replace NOAA's La Jolla laboratory. The contract is creating or retaining 11 jobs, including jobs for an operating engineer and grade checker. [Award Number AB1330-09-CN-0210]

\$26.6 million for the San Diego Workforce Partnership to help unemployed workers is creating or retaining **20** jobs. The San Diego Workforce Partnership was awarded \$26.6 million to provide employment services to unemployed workers. The grant is creating or retaining **20** jobs for a case manager, program support staff, and youth program counselors. It also provides resources to unemployed workers to help them find jobs. [Award Number R970565]

\$5.4 million for San Diego County to fund employment-related services is creating or retaining 28 jobs. San Diego County was awarded \$5.4 million to support employment-related services through the Community Services Block Grant Program. The grant is creating or retaining 28 jobs for job developers, case managers, outreach coordinators, mediation trainers, and client advocates. [Award Number <u>09F-5138</u>]

\$4.4 million for the Neighborhood House Association to improve Head Start and Early Head Start centers is creating or retaining 12 jobs. The Neighborhood House Association was awarded \$4.4 million for staff salaries, teacher training, and projects at Head Start and Early Head Start centers. The grant is creating or retaining 12 jobs for teacher assistant trainees, and interns. [Award Number 09SE7015]

\$25.6 million for San Diego County is helping to improve education for children with disabilities and is creating or retaining jobs. San Diego County was awarded \$25.6 million in recovery act funds from the California Department of Education to assist the County in providing special education and related services to children with disabilities. Statewide this program has created or retained over 5,715 jobs for California public school employees, including bus drivers, aides for special education and teaching positions. [Sub Award Number 09-15003-6833-01]

San Diego International Airport was awarded \$28 million in recovery act funds to install a baggage screening system to detect explosives. The funding was among \$78 million in grants announced by Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano for airport security technology projects around the country. The system being installed at San Diego International Airport uses advanced technology to screen checked baggage for explosives, while streamlining the ticketing and boarding process for travelers. [KPBS News Service, 6/2/10]

UC San Diego was awarded more than \$40 million in recovery act funds for research in medicine, biology, chemistry, oceanography and other fields. The University of California at San Diego was awarded more than \$40 million in research in medicine, biology, chemistry, oceanography and other fields – research that UC San Diego is noted for translating into innovations, medical breakthroughs, jobs and new businesses in San Diego and California. Based on calculations produced by a recent study of the university's economic impact, the Vice Chancellor for research Art Ellis estimates that recovery act funding of UC San Diego projects will preserve or create about 800 positions. [UCSD News, 8/17/09]

County of San Diego Department of Housing and Community Development was awarded more than \$1.9 million in recovery act funds for a homeless prevention and re-housing program. San Diego County Department of Housing and Community Development received more than \$1.9 million in recovery act funds for the Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program. The program helps people and families facing a sudden financial crisis that could lead to homelessness, providing them with short-term and medium-term rental assistance and services. Thirty-one families have

already received help through the program, and HCD expects to assist a total of about 150 families.

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