

Meet Yvette Haro! New Visions GAIN Liaison



I'm Yvette Haro, Employment Services Counselor for CalWORKs GAIN and the Liaison for the Workforce Preparation New Visions program. If you have any questions or concerns regarding CalWORKs GAIN, I will do my best to assist you. I look forward to meeting and working with all of you! I have both Phase I and Phase II caseload experience, and you can usually find me in the afternoons at the Workforce Preparation office at the Riverside Community College City Campus.

New Visions Services

- 1) Educational and Occupational
- 2) Individual Career/Educational Plan
- 3) Facilitated Self-Paced Instruction:
 - Computer Office Applications
 - Applied Mathematics
 - Applied Language
 - Critical Reading
 - Guidance Courses



Important Dates to Remember

- New Visions Orientation May 6-9
- Application Deadline for Mervyn's Community Closet March 29
- Spring Break April 8-12
- Workforce Preparation Job Fair: April 23
- Mervyn's Community Closet: May 10, Corona
- May 14-15, Riverside
- Summer Priority Registration: May 15-17
- Memorial Day Holiday May 27
- Fall Priority Registration July 17-19

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Workforce Preparation Offers New Programs

The **Workforce Preparation Department** at Riverside Community College is pleased to announce several new programs to assist current and former welfare (TANF) recipients prepare for employment and attain financial independence.

If you are a former CalWORKs recipient who received aid within the previous twelve months, the **PASS Program** assists former TANF recipients maintain employment, set and achieve career ladder goals, and increase their earning potential in order to remain off public assistance and achieve long-term self-sufficiency. For more information about the PASS program, please contact Monica Green at (909) - 222-8966.

The **Parenting and Wellness Education Program** is a comprehensive, inte-

grated system of early childhood development services for California children to enter school healthy and ready to learn by

promoting and improving childhood development through family support, parent education, childcare and development, and child health. Some of the services provided through the Parenting and Wellness Education Program are: parenting classes, nutrition/disease prevention workshops, childcare

classes, and literacy/enrichment programs. The goals are to assist parents to become more effective with their children, to improve the health and literacy of these parents' children, and to improve and

increase the number of daycare providers in the local RCC area. **This program will be available March 18.**

The **CalWORKs Child Development Careers Project** is designed to educate and train CalWORKs recipients who are pursuing a Child Development Permit at the teacher level. Multiple options for completing the educational program include "Fast Track," shorter than term, weekend, on-line and telecourses on all three RCC campus locations. The program provides compensated preschool teaching experiences on the college campus and at off-campus locations in licensed pre-school programs. For more information please contact Margo Stevens at (909) 222-8079.

If you would like more information regarding any of the programs offered, please call the Workforce Preparation Department at: (909) 222-8648.



Workforce Preparation Resources and Contacts

General Information

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2002-2003 Financial Aid Kick-Off

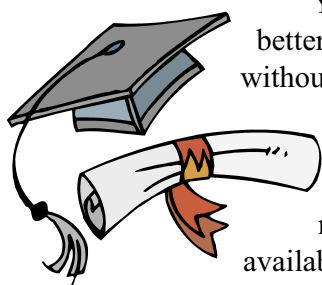
Do you have the desire to attend college or maybe return after a lengthy absence? Whatever your educational goals, looking ahead to college means you must also look ahead at financial resources that will help you achieve your educational endeavors.

Do you need help with the high cost of attending college? Your first step should be to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Completing the FAFSA offers the best opportunity for receiving financial help from multiple sources, so don't delay!

You may pick up a FAFSA application at the Workforce Preparation Department or at the Student Financial Services Departments at all three RCC campuses. If you need help completing your FAFSA, please contact Carmen Smith at 909-222-8000, Ext. 4202.



Online G.E.D. Program Now Offered at RCC's Workforce Preparation Department



You need a better job, but without your high school diploma there is not much available in the workforce.

Now you can get your G.E.D and climb the career ladder. The Workforce Preparation Department and the Riverside Adult School are now partners in a new online G.E.D. for current welfare clients! You can now complete your G.E.D. at any one of our computer labs at the three RCC campuses. To participate in the Online G.E.D., please contact your GAIN/CalWORK's counselor.

New Program Announcement



Post Assistance Self Sufficiency Assisting you to reach higher levels in your career

The PASS Program at Riverside Community College District is designed to assist former CalWORKs clients in advancing earning potential and enhancing employment. The PASS Program offers a variety of services to assist you into a better paying position and financial independence. Those eligible for the PASS Program must be employed, terminated from cash aid within the last 12 months, and randomly assigned through GAIN. For more information regarding the Pass Program, call the Riverside Community College District Workforce Preparation Department at (909) 222-8648.

Attention!!!

Workforce Preparation JOB FAIR

April 23, 2002 9:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M.



For more information contact:
Stacey Turner at 909-222-8936.

Congratulations to CalWORKs Child Development Careers Students

The CalWORKs Child Development Careers Project, an 18-month program that prepares students for a California Teacher's Permit in early childhood education, is proud to congratulate Astra Wright and Madeline Malika. Astra and Madeline will complete the required education and work experience necessary for a CA Teacher's Permit by the end of the semester. Both students will, no doubt, go on to become fine early childhood educators. Congratulations, ladies! Your hard work and perseverance paid off!

The Careers Project would also like to acknowledge Jacque Dobson, former Project Coordinator, Lynn Vasquez and Joann Storar from RCC's Child Development Center, and Cathy Hill from Salvation Army child Care Center, for helping make this dream a reality.



Jacque Dobson and
Astra Wright



Cathy Hill and
Madeline Malika

Moreno Valley Campus Attention! All Moreno Valley Students



Did you know that the Workforce Preparation Department in Moreno Valley has a counselor available five days

a week? **Tracie Jackson** is the counselor, and she is there to assist you with all of your educational needs.



There is also another great addition. **Lynn Soules**, Clerk Typist, is also in the Moreno Valley location full-time to

offer you any assistance. Please stop by and say hello, or if you need to make a counseling appointment call Lynn at (909) 571-6154.



Don't forget about the computer lab that is available to all of our students. Stop by and see our lab assistant **Dave Horne**, who will be

glad to help you with all of your computing needs.

Graduation Highlights



New Visions 2001



RCC's Workforce Preparation Department Chosen for Mervyn's Community Closet Program

The Workforce Preparation Department at Riverside Community College has been selected to participate in Mervyn's Community Closet Program. This program is designed to assist

individuals making the transition from welfare to work by providing appropriate



workplace attire at no cost. Approximately 40 Workforce Preparation students will be selected to participate in this program.

On May 14 & 15 in Riverside and May 10 in Corona, a 72 foot mobile store-on-wheels will be used as a fitting/dressing room and each person selected will be assisted by a personal stylist who will help select a ensemble of professional attire for men and women valued at \$350.00.

Urgent Bulletin!!! Mervyn's Community Closet Coming in May

The Mervyn's Community Closet event has been postponed until the following dates:

Riverside May 14 & 15
Corona May 10

Due to the change, we have extended the deadline for Community Closet applications to March 29, 2002. If you are still interested in being considered for this event, please submit your application at the Workforce Preparation Department.