

School Board Vote on Construction Careers!

7 pm on Tuesday, May 26th, 4100 Normal St

What's at Stake

This is one of the largest stimulus measures slated for our region, creating about 10,000 jobs in the construction and building trades and 30,000 jobs in other sectors.

What a Difference this Makes

Construction Careers Agreement	No Agreement
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Every job has health care * Guarantee for hiring of local residents and from high-poverty zip codes * Successful apprenticeship programs that build skills and career ladders; pre-apprenticeship programs also available * Middle class careers: permanent jobs, have better training, better wages, family health care and pensions * Guarantee for minority and small business contracting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 50% of jobs without health care - No guarantees to hire locally, no goals to reduce poverty - Low graduation rates for apprenticeship programs, lack of pipeline and career ladder - Lower-quality jobs: more likely to be temporary and lack training and career development, health care and pensions

Opposition

Although both union AND non-union contractors can bid for this work, contractor groups who don't want to meet higher labor and hiring standards are trying to block the passage of the agreement. They will protest being discriminated against or excluded from the work and also claim that labor standards will increase costs (reducing amount of construction). They've taken out ads, sent mailers, and even threatened school board members with recall.

Supporters

Coalition of Neighborhood Councils
 Parent Institute for Quality Education
 Urban League of San Diego County
 San Diego Apollo Alliance
 San Diego County Democratic Party
 San Diego County Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance
 Barrio Station
 San Diego Education Association
 Center on Policy Initiatives
 ACORN
 Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice
 Empower San Diego
 Center for Social Advocacy
 San Diego Organizing Project
 Cesar Chavez Service Club
 San Diego County Affordable Housing Coalition
 MAAC Project

Dan Lozano, Helmets to Hardhats
 San Diego County Building and Construction Trades Council
 San Diego Imperial Counties Labor Council
 Vice-Chair Metropolitan Water District of Southern CA
 Fern Steiner
 CA Assemblymember Marty Block
 CA Assemblymember Mary Salas
 CA Assemblymember Lori Saldana
 CA Congressman Bob Filner
 CA Congressman Susan Davis
 CA Senator Chris Kehoe
 CA Senator Denise Ducheny
 San Diego City Councilmember Todd Gloria
 San Diego City Councilmember Ben Hueso
 San Diego City Councilmember Tony Young
 San Diego City Councilmember Marti Emerald
 National City Councilmember Alejandra Sotelo-Solis

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