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**CAREER BOUND**

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**Career Development Month**



# WHATS HAPPENING!

## HIGHLIGHTS

Each November, National Career Development Month spotlights the journey of growth, discovery, and opportunity that comes with building a successful career. This month, we recognize how career exploration and skill-building can transform lives and strengthen our communities. Our programs help guide members toward discovering their passions, building new skills, and preparing for the future.

As we mark this month, we're excited to look back on the accomplishments and progress our Career Bound program has seen this year. Here are some of the highlights that showcase the impact of career development in action;

## CELEBRATING ALMA'S LEGACY ALMA'S CAFE OPENING



This month, we celebrated the grand opening of **Alma's Café**, a space dedicated to the memory of our beloved colleague, Alma. Through her unwavering dedication and love for our members, Alma exemplified the power of connection and support. She had a passion for bringing people together over food and always dreamed of opening a café. Thanks to her inspiration and hard work, that dream has become a reality. Alma's Café now serves as a gathering place where members and staff can connect, reflect, and grow together. Thank you, Alma, for the love, care, and impact you brought into our community. Your legacy continues to inspire us all.



## SPOTLIGHT: CRB AMBASSADORS @ SAN PEDRO

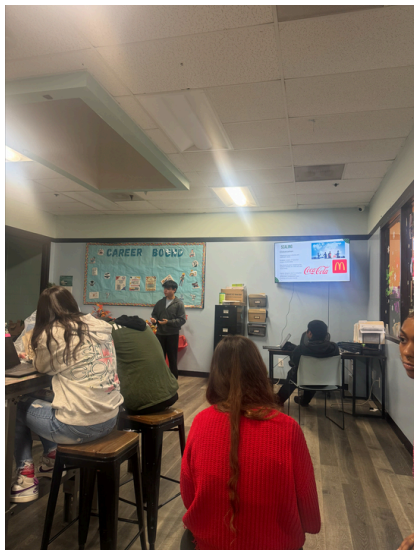
Our CRB Ambassadors have truly stepped up in a big way! As peers within the program, they have been an incredible resource during workshops and events, helping fellow members and they navigate essential topics. Their dedication strengthens the program, creating a supportive environment where everyone can build confidence. We're grateful for their leadership!



# CRB ROUND UP!



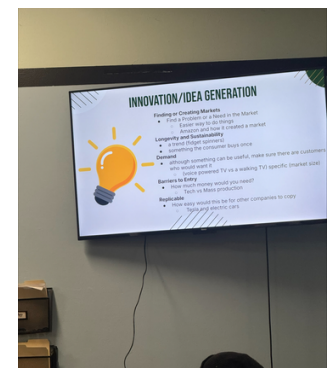
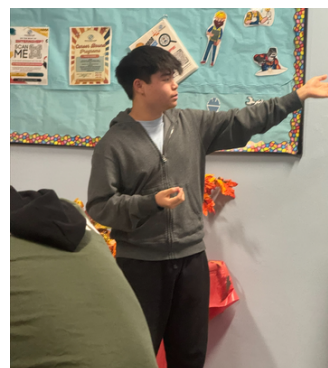
This month, we welcomed **IABTC**, an organization dedicated to promoting sobriety among young teens, led by one of our very own former club members. Career Bound participants engaged in an eye-opening session on the dangers of smoking and drinking at a young age. Afterward, members reflected on how these habits can impact not only their health but also their future goals and careers. The session sparked a meaningful group discussion, empowering our members to make positive choices for a brighter tomorrow.



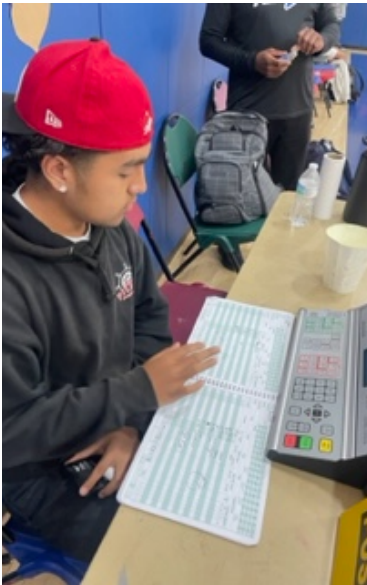
## **MONEY MATTERS: INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION OF ENTREPRENEURS**

This month, our Money Matters program focused on the theme of entrepreneurship. Members explored the origins of popular businesses, discovering how many started from humble beginnings. These stories served as powerful reminders that with the right mindset, determination, and effort, success is within reach—no matter where you come from. By showing what's possible, we're empowering members to dream big and take steps toward their own entrepreneurial journeys.

Matthew, one of our Career Bound Ambassadors, is currently taking an economics course that inspired him to get involved with our Money Matters program. He brings valuable insights to discussions on topics like entrepreneurship and the stock market, offering a unique perspective. We're thrilled to have him as part of the program and look forward to seeing him continue to grow and inspire others!



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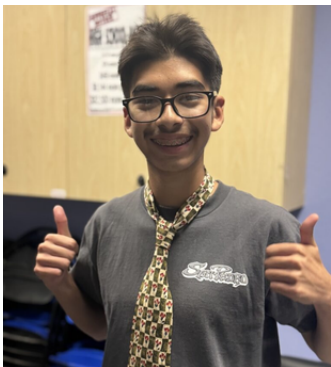
Our Sport Development members have been hard at work, recently participating in the playoffs—and we're thrilled to share that one of them has advanced to the championship game! It's been incredible watching their journey this season, filled with growth, determination, and success. Along the way, they've not only honed their skills but also discovered new opportunities, with some considering these roles as potential side hustles in the future. We're proud of their achievements and can't wait to see how they continue to grow and inspire others.



## **KNOT OF KNOWLEDGE: EMPOWERING FUTURE PROFESSIONALS**

During our First Generation event, members enjoyed an engaging workshop led by our Workforce Center Coordinator, Oscar, who taught them how to tie a tie as part of his **Gentlemen's Guide to Dressing Well**. This hands-on session gave members a chance to learn the art of tying a tie, offering a valuable guidance on presenting oneself professionally. Thanks to a generous donation of ties from Pan! It was a wonderful opportunity for members to build confidence and gain practical skills.

Many of our members embraced the experience, proudly showing off their newly acquired skills and discussing how presenting themselves professionally can make a lasting impression on their career paths. Their enthusiasm and dedication to personal growth were inspiring!





# WORKFORCE CENTER



## Spotlight on Alumni: Josiah Walley

We are excited to recognize Josiah Walley, one of our committed workforce clients, for his outstanding efforts as a club site volunteer. Josiah has been working hard to build his resume and develop key administrative skills, including professional email correspondence and communication. His dedication to self-improvement is inspiring, as he continues to enhance his qualifications and lay the foundation for a bright career. Josiah is also eager to broaden his experience in event planning and coordination. He has shown great enthusiasm for collaborating with staff on special events, such as the esteemed Youth of the Year Awards. By meeting weekly with his case manager, Josiah is not only contributing to the success of our club but also gaining valuable skills to propel him forward. We're proud to support Josiah on his journey and can't wait to see all that he accomplishes!

## Spotlight on Alumni: Dylan Rios

We're proud to highlight one of our remarkable alumni, Dylan Rios, a former Career and Technical Education (CTE) participant. Dylan is currently serving our country while planning his next steps toward becoming a mechanic or technician. By building on the skills he gained during his time with Career Bound, Dylan is determined to advance in his field and create a successful career. His journey is a testament to the power of hard work and preparation, and we're excited to see all that he accomplishes. Thank you, Dylan, for your service and dedication!

