

# Workforce Development Programs

BART Board 2020 Workshop, February 14, 2020



# Agenda

- External Workforce Development
  - Youth Engagement
  - Community Engagement
- Internal Career Development
  - Professional Development & Educational Assistance
  - Leadership Development



# BART Workforce Programs: Path of Development





# Youth Engagement: Career Exploration & Exposure

- Take Our Kids to Work Day
  - Event for BART employees and their families
  - Provides exposure to BART careers
  - 300-400 attendees
- BART Career Days
  - Facilitating school field trips and tours
  - Middle/High School Career Day Spring 2020
  - College Career Day Fall 2020
- Supporting Schools and Organizations
  - Attending Internship Fairs
  - Matching BART professionals with panel and speaking engagements at schools and colleges







# Youth Engagement: Internships

- Four Summer Programs
  - BART District-Wide Interns
  - M&E Engineering Interns
  - RS&S Oakland Unified School District Interns
  - PD&C Construction Management Interns



- Faith Network/Career Bridge
- Lao Family Community Development
- Students Rising Above
- Richmond YEP
- Oakland Unified School District
- Community and 4-Year Colleges





#### **CURRENT**

# **FUTURE**

- Partnership with Cypress Mandela Training Center in Oakland
- Two cycles of Track Worker and Structures Worker training in 2018 and 2019
  - Cycle One: Five trainees hired as Track Workers and all have since been promoted
  - Cycle Two: Eight trainees hired, four as Track Workers and four as Structures Workers







#### **CURRENT**

#### **FUTURE**

- Partnership with Rising Sun Center for Opportunity, an Oakland-based workforce organization focused on green training, employment, and residential efficiency
- Rising Sun administers construction pre-apprenticeship programs including an all-women cohort, Women Building the Bay
- BART is partnering with Women Building the Bay to build a competitive pool of candidates for our Electrical Helper classification





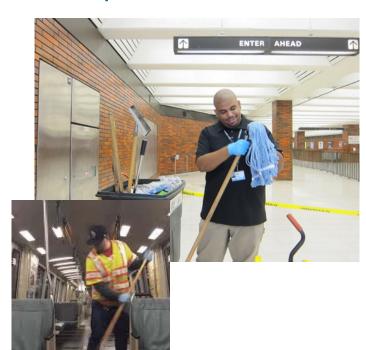


#### **CURRENT**

#### **FUTURE**

Priority workforce development initiative

- Priority Partnership Engagement:
  Ongoing need to fill System Service
  and Utility Worker vacancies
- Recruitment: Partner with custodial and hospitality training organizations to increase candidate pool
- Status: Currently reviewing submitted proposals from Community Based Organizations





#### **CURRENT**

#### **FUTURE**

Priority workforce development initiative

- Priority Partnership Engagement: BART Ambassador Program and Fare Inspector career ladders will create vacancies for the Community Services Officer (CSO) classification
- Recruitment: Partner with workforce and family support services organizations to build a CSO candidate pipeline
- CSO Pathway Recruitment:
  - Cultural competencies
  - Social awareness
  - Embedded in the communities we serve



#### **CURRENT**

#### **FUTURE**

 We have cast a wide net throughout the BART Service Area to seek partnerships with CBOs focused on underrepresented communities within BART, including:

- Re-entry Population
- Veterans
- Women in the Trades
- Displaced Workers







































# Professional Development & Educational Assistance



- Professional Development & Skill Building Courses as a benefit to all BART employees
- Supervisory Leadership training and coaching
- Customized classes targeted to specific department needs
- Educational Assistance Program





Pilot: Class of 2019 (Sept 2018 – Feb 2019)

- Partnership with MTI
- Target Audience: Non-Rep, future executives
- Competitively selected class of 15
- Metrics of Success:
  - Career Progression: 3 promotions in one year
  - Selection into the national APTA Emerging Leaders and GFOA Leadership Academy

Current: Class of 2020 (Sept 2019 – June 2020)

- Continued partnership with MTI
- Competitively selected class of 13











Current Pilot: October 2019 – June 2020

- Partnership with LearniT, a San Francisco based training organization
- Target Audience: Non-Rep, AFSCME, and BPMA Mid-Managers
- Competitively selected class of 15
- Content Courses:
  - Coaching
  - Build BART knowledge through trainings and field trips
- Metrics of Success:
  - Career Progression
  - Selection into external leadership programs



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# Industry Leadership Development

- American Public Transportation Association (APTA)
  - Leadership APTA
  - Emerging Leaders Program
- Eno Center for Transportation Leadership Programs
- Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) International Leadership Programs









