



Glendale Community College Southern California Utility Initiative

Project Description

Southern California Utility Initiative (SCUI) is a consortium that includes Glendale Community College, California State University Northridge, and Southern California Public Power Authority, Workforce Investment Boards (WIB), and Smart Grid Investment grant funding recipients. The consortium is establishing a coalition that facilitates training and increases the number of qualified graduates by expanding existing training curricula and programs to meet the workforce needs of the Southern California region's electric utility industry. SCUI will provide regional WIB One-Stop Workforce career centers to help workers acquire training and obtain good-paying jobs. Training will focus on three curricular areas leading to an Electric Utility certificate with 24 units of transferable college credit. SCUI will collaborate with academic institutions to ensure that the training material stays current with new technological advancements and industry requirements.

Goals/Objectives

- Raise awareness and interest in careers in electric utilities
- Address predicted employment needs due to worker retirement
- Train workers from local communities
- 60 percent graduation rate from the Electric Utility certificate program

Benefits

- Well-trained workforce for Southern California utilities
- Skill upgrades for incumbent workers
- Job retention and employee growth



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PROJECT DURATION

07/16/2010–07/16/2013

COST

Total Project Value
\$844,396

DOE/Non-DOE Share
\$750,000/\$386,000

PROJECT LOCATION

California

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