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## Corporate Training Money Still Available from El Camino College

### More Than \$600,000 in Employee Training Funding Still Available for Eligible California Employers

Although California's Employment Training Panel (ETP) recently announced that it has depleted its job training funds for the rest of the calendar year, there is still money available for California businesses of all sizes to provide high-quality, no-cost training to its employees.

"We know that in this economy, every penny counts," said Paul Edward, director of El Camino College's Office of Organizational Training and Development. "That's why we are so excited to offer no-cost training to eligible California businesses through the ETP program. Not only do employers save thousands of dollars in training costs, but they get more productive employees, who are also more likely to stay with them for longer periods of time. It's a 'can't lose' proposition."

California established the ETP program in 1983 to assist California businesses in making their companies and employees more productive to meet global competition. In the past 26 years, the ETP program has provided more than \$1 billion to train more than 700,000 workers in more than 60,000 California companies.

El Camino College operates one of the largest community college-based economic development programs in the state and provides customized training solutions for California employers through its Office of Organizational Training and Development.

"Our research shows that for every \$1 spent on ETP training, employers realize a \$5 return on investment," Edward said. "And since we don't require companies to pay us first and get reimbursed later, our clients get this tremendous 500% profitability boost without having to spend any money."

Employers who are interested in taking advantage of this benefit should contact Edward right away, before the college's ETP training funds are used up by other employers.

"While \$600,000 seems like a lot, when you consider the numbers of businesses and employees in the South Bay area alone, I don't expect our allocation to be available too much longer," he said. "This tends to be a no-brainer for most employers and we usually fill up pretty quickly."

### About El Camino College's Office of Organizational Training and Development

El Camino College's Office of Organizational Training and Development works with California businesses to increase their productivity and profitability. For more information about the college's business training programs and services, call 310-973-3178 or visit this link: <http://www.businessassist.org>.

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