



## 2006 Veterans Career Opportunities and Resource Expo 2006

May 4th marked the 7th Annual Veterans Career Opportunities & Resource Expo. The Expo took place at the Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex and saw over 100 attendees.

Over 45 businesses were represented and residents from Norwalk and surrounding communities were given the opportunity to meet with various companies for employment.

The Expo was kicked-off by a ceremony which had an opening prayer by Shane Berry, Pastor of Calvary Chapel in Whittier, and Color Guard presentation by American Legion Color Guard, Post 359. Also present at the ceremony were Norwalk's Mayor, Vice Mayor, and City Council Members.



Representatives from over 50 prominent companies informed inquiring attendees about available job positions and possible careers.



Anthony Cabrera, Iraq active disabled war veteran, gave an inspirational speech to expo attendees.

“Employers, lets make it our goal to hire at least one veteran today,” said Connie Chan, Norwalk Employment Development Department (EDD) Office Manager, when speaking to employer representatives during the ceremony. On hand were local veterans who were given the opportunity to possibly secure employment with companies that attended.

Later in the ceremony, Anthony Cabrera who is an Iraq active disabled war veteran gave an inspirational speech where he shared his experiences in Iraq and passion for his country.

Along with presenting attendants with opportunities for locating a job, various workshops were held for expo attendants such as Veteran Benefits, Job Preparation, and SCE Credit Repair.



From left to right are Cole Riccio-EDD Veterans Employment Services Specialist, Joseph Velasco III-EDD Veterans Representative, Jerome Roy-EDD Veterans Representative, Jesse Saucedo-Field Representative for Congress Woman Grace Napolitano's Office, Celia Guzman-EDD Program Supervisor for Veterans Services, and Connie Chan-Norwalk EDD Office Manager.

The Expo was sponsored by EDD, Southeast Los Angeles County Workforce Investment Board, Partners for Progress, and Southeast Area Social Service Funding Authority (SASSFA).

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