A 90-year Legacy of Service to Our Diverse Community

- Since 1931, JVS SoCal has helped immigrants and refugees from around the world. From German and Shanghai immigrants at the end of WWII to Cuban refugees in the 1970’s and Soviet Jews in the 1980’s, followed by Cambodians, Vietnamese and those impacted by the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. In 2022, we are assisting Afghan refugees and their families.
- Beginning in the late 1940’s, JVS SoCal became an advocate and innovator in the fields of rehabilitation, workplace accommodation, and fair employment practices, writing to President Roosevelt about discrimination in the railroad industry.
- Today, more than 215 skilled and dedicated staff members deliver services from over 20 sites throughout Los Angeles County and surrounding areas, assisting nearly 33,000 clients each year, with an additional 17,000 – 20,000 individuals independently accessing our services, totaling over 50,000 people.
- Nearly 15,000 of our clients are transitioning from welfare to work.
- JVS SoCal operates four AJCCs (America’s Job Center of California) in total in West L.A., Lancaster, Palmdale, and downtown Los Angeles, and in 2021 our Antelope Valley AJCC was named the #1 performing AJCC in Los Angeles County.

Career Training

- Recognized by Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, the Los Angeles City Council, the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, and by the Los Angeles Business Journal for our award-winning job training and employment programs and our contribution to the economic health and wellbeing of Southern California.
- Since their launch in 2006, our four JVSWorks® tuition-free career training programs have placed over 2,500 graduates—with a combined 81% placement rate. At an average starting salary over $40,000, aggregate graduate earnings are well over $100 million annual. At a per-student cost of around $6,800, this represents a 588% social return on investment.

Veteran Services

- Since World War II, JVS SoCal has served Veterans transitioning from military service.
- JVS SoCal operates California’s first, and only, Veterans AJCC (America’s Job Center of California) at Bob Hope Patriotic Hall in downtown Los Angeles.
- The JVS Veterans First program has been recognized with the prestigious Seal of Distinction by Activision/Blizzard’s Call of Duty Endowment, a respected national advocate on veterans’ services and employment.
- JVS SoCal was awarded the U.S. Department of Labor’s HIRE Vets Gold Medallion in 2019, 2020 and 2021 for its commitment to Veteran hiring, retention, and professional development.
- JVS SoCal was awarded two multi-year awards by the U.S. Department of Labor and from the County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health to help returning Veterans and Military...
families navigate the civilian systems of resource, and to assist precariously housed Veterans on their journey to employment.

- In 2021, Veteran Services launched the first in the nation initiative, Los Angeles Veterans Technology Training Academy, in partnership with the City and County of Los Angeles, Fastlane, and Microsoft, and was recognized as the 2021 California Employer Advisory Council’s Veterans Employer of the Year.

Empowering Women

- In 2022, the JVS SoCal Women’s Leadership Network (WLN) celebrated the 10th Anniversary of its Woman to Woman Conference, having raised over $5M in critical funding to support women in career crisis and transition.
- For two decades, JVS SoCal’s WoMentoring program has offered free career mentoring to women, empowering them to advance in their careers.

Disability & Assessment

- JVS SoCal’s Grossblatt Skills Assessment Center is the only facility in Southern California offering full job skills evaluation services to individuals who are blind and visually impaired and is accredited by CARF, the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities.

Scholarships

- Celebrating its 50th Anniversary in 2022, the JVS Scholarship Program has awarded over $11.7 million in need-based scholarships to 5,200 Jewish college students attending schools and universities throughout the world.

Responding to New Challenges

- In 2020, JVS SoCal responded to the COVID-19 pandemic by developing online learning platforms and curriculum to continue training and prevent interruption of services to our clients.
- JVS SoCal’s AJCC network, screened over 300 candidates and hired more than 200 to be trained as COVID-19 contact tracers for Los Angeles County—in just a three-week period.
- In 2020, JVS SoCal produced its first-ever virtual fundraising events.
- JVS SoCal increased its training of entry-level Certified Nursing Assistants and Administrators to address the demand for healthcare workers.

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**MISSION**

Empowering individuals to achieve dignity and economic independence through sustainable employment.

**VISION**

Thriving communities with hope and economic opportunity for all.

**VALUES**

- Respect for individuals and families.
- Integrity and professionalism in all our interactions.
- Principled advocacy on behalf of those we serve.
- Collective and collaborative stewardship.
- Commitment to uplift communities and serve those in need.