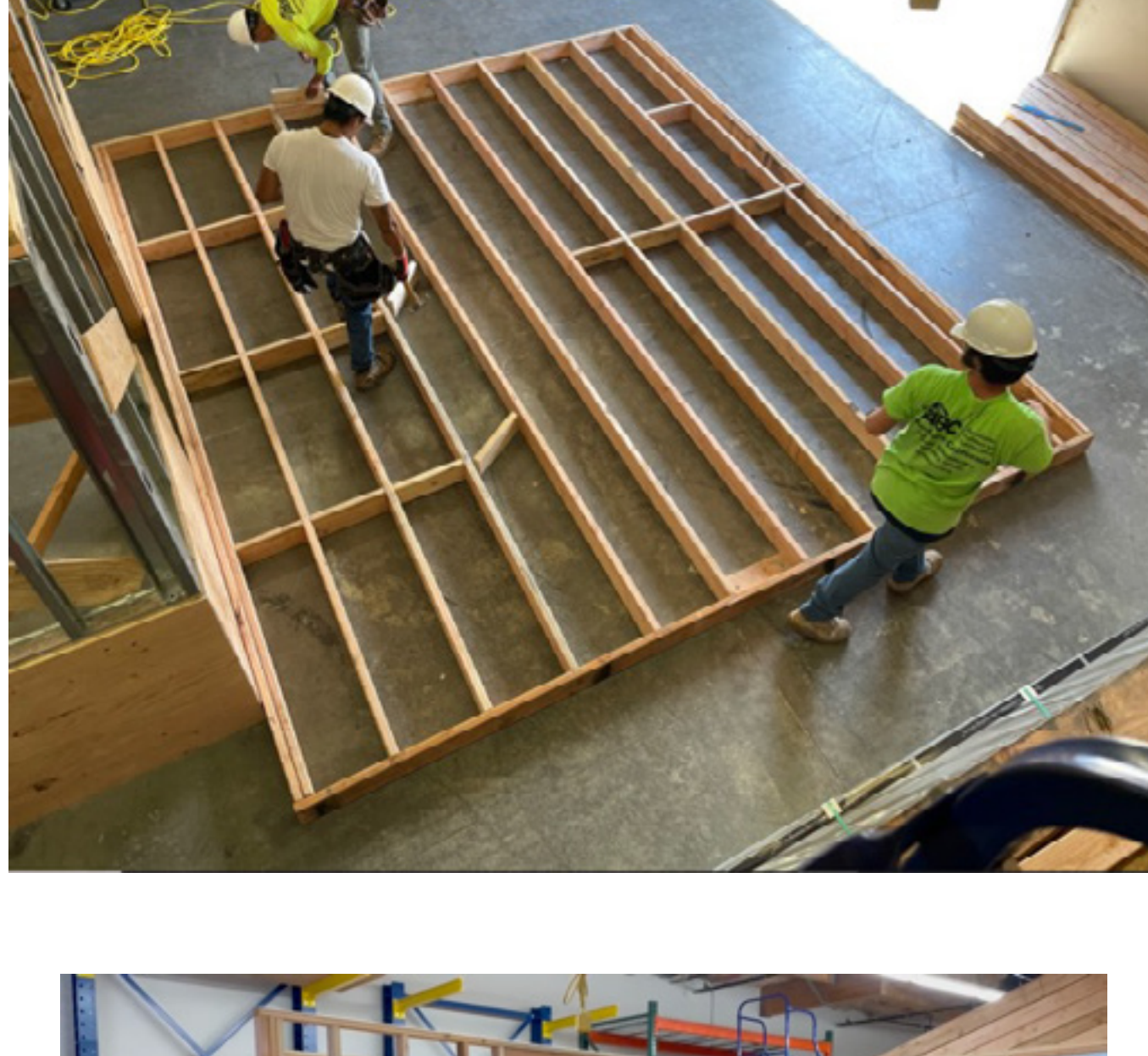
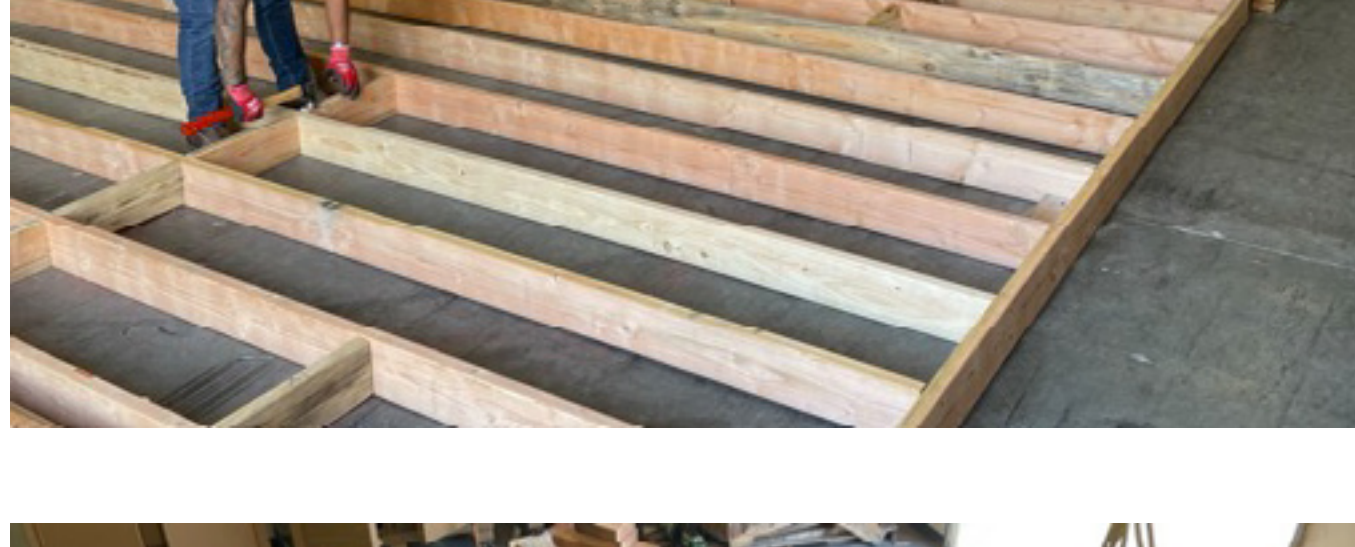


APPRENTICESHIP

The ABC NorCal Open House event in Sacramento, held on July 19, 2023, was a resounding success—drawing a diverse and enthusiastic crowd from all corners of the community. The event emphasized ABC NorCal's commitment to education, with a special focus on Carpentry and Construction Craft Laborer classes, which will be held at the new facility. The Open House received a remarkable turnout, including members of the community, apprentices and aspiring apprentices, ABC NorCal members, contractors, volunteer leaders and dignitaries. This event truly exemplified the spirit of collaboration, excellence and dedication within the construction industry.

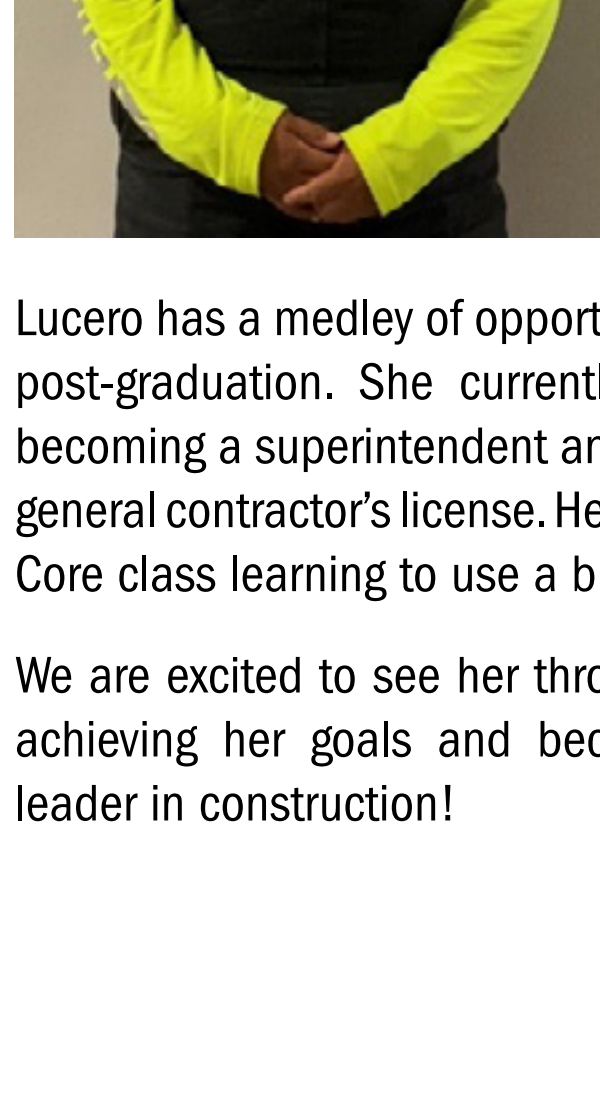
The coverage of the ABC NorCal Open House event in a recent [Sacramento Bee article](#) sparked an overwhelmingly positive response from the community. Numerous individuals, inspired by the event's focus on a construction career and the no-cost educational opportunities, enthusiastically submitted their applications to the ABC NorCal programs. The article's extensive coverage of the Carpentry and Construction Craft Laborer classes, along with the event's showcase of a sample product built by the students, motivated many aspiring apprentices and individuals interested in the construction field to take action. The surge in applications is a testament to the event's impact in fostering interest and participation in the construction industry, and further highlights ABC NorCal's dedication to promoting growth and excellence in the community.

A first-year carpentry class (Carpentry 1.2 C Pines) was held at the facility during the week of the event. The students in attendance were Alexa Chacon, Joshua Epps, Armando Leiva and Angel Lopez-Escalera. Check out the pictures and videos below, which show what the students learned to build during their hands-on portion of the training:



Apprentice Highlights!

Welcome, Lucero Gonzalez!



In May of this year we welcomed Lucero Gonzalez into the carpentry apprenticeship. Lucero started her career path by going to college. However, she found it was not leading her to the right opportunities. Lucero always loved working with her hands and decided the trades might be a successful career path to highlight her skillsets. She found ABC NorCal through a web search during apprenticeship week and applied right away!

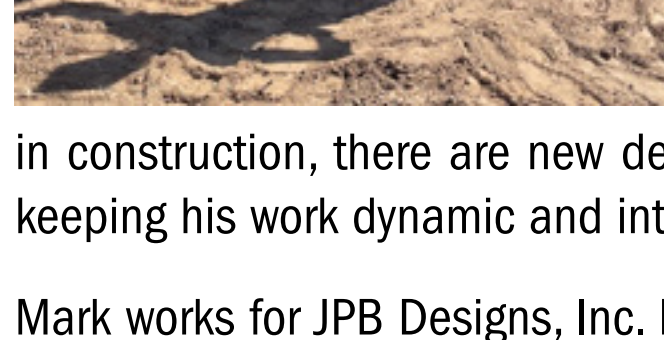
Lucero currently works for [Sausal Corporation](#), working on school projects and preparing vital learning spaces for the communities in Palo Alto. She truly enjoys working with the company and learning important jobsite skills alongside the Sausal Corporation team.

Lucero has a medley of opportunities she'd like to seek post-graduation. She currently has set her goal on becoming a superintendent and possibly obtaining her general contractor's license. Here she is at her Carpentry Core class learning to use a builders transit level.

We are excited to see her through her apprenticeship, achieving her goals and becoming a future female leader in construction!



Meet Mark Puris!



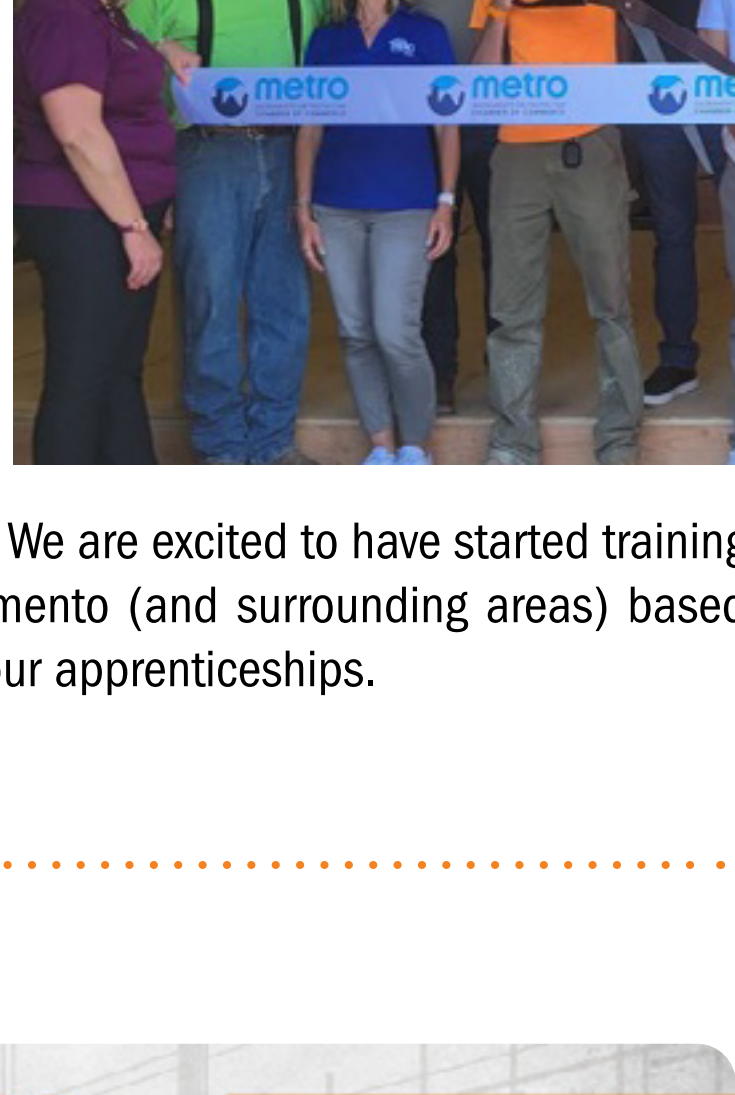
Mark is a Construction Craft Laborer apprentice in his second year of the program.

Mark attended our Sacramento Facility's Grand Opening event this month. He is pictured below cutting the ceremonial ribbon! He was excited to attend and show support for his ABC NorCal family.

Mark has a natural aptitude for learning the way something works. "I always loved to tinker with objects and always wondered how things worked," he says. This curiosity led him to the trades where he could apply and grow skills in the field and build structures for communities around him. He likes the fact that in construction, there are new developing techniques and machinery to learn, therefore keeping his work dynamic and interesting every day.

Mark works for JPB Designs, Inc. He has completed four projects constructing huge steel shade structures, and he is now able to run these jobsites from the ground up. He attributes his success to on-the-job experience at these projects, the training he received in his ABC NorCal apprenticeship classes, and the support he received from ABC Staff, mostly from his instructors. He added that the skills he has gained, along with confidence instilled in him by our instructors, have gotten him where he is today.

Mark plans to continue his education after graduating from the Construction Craft Laborer Apprenticeship program and join the Carpentry Apprenticeship program. His goal is to gain even more experience, eventually getting his General Contractor's License, and starting his own business. We have no doubt that, with the level of professionalism he has shown, he will meet and exceed anything he puts his mind to. We are so excited to be the ones to train him!



Mark is one of the many apprentices in our program that is excited to see ABC NorCal opening a Sacramento training facility. Mark lives just outside of Sacramento in Rancho Cordova and is happy that we've moved closer to his home. We are excited to have started training at this facility, which is closer-to-home for Sacramento (and surrounding areas) based apprentices who make up approximately 28% of our apprenticeships.



INSTRUCTORS NEEDED

Competitive Salary

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PART-TIME instructors needed

For more information, contact Michelle Perez: mperez@cafsa.org

In the following TRADE:

- Fire Sprinkler Fitters

Congratulations to Our July 2023 Apprentice Graduates!

- **Eric Flores** – Electrical Program
- **Daniel Harris** – Electrical Program
- **Omar Mejia, Jr.** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Alfredo Roa** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Hans Schoordijk** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Brian Taylor** – Carpentry Program
- **Andy Yee** – Electrical Program

Welcome new apprentices!

ABC NorCal would like to welcome the new apprentice who joined the apprenticeship program in July 2023:

- **Reuben Acosta** – Electrical Program
- **Miguel Cervantes** – Electrical Program
- **Christian Cooper** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Eric Espinoza** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Elijha Gonzalez** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Joshua Gutierrez** – Painting Program
- **Victor Guzman Rivera** – Electrical Program
- **Christopher Karle** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Ethan Krebs** – Carpentry Program
- **Joseph Landa** – Painting Program
- **Garrett Leong** – Electrical Program
- **Edgar Martinez Navarro** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Matthew Massena** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **William Osychuk** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Emmanuel Ramirez** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Timothy Reynosa** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Gina Rideau Aaron** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Carlos Rosas** – Construction Craft Laborer Program
- **Jose Santana** – Carpentry Program
- **Stephanie Storey** – Electrical Program
- **Douglas Terbeek** – Carpentry Program
- **Justin Thompson** – Electrical Program
- **Lucio Vasquez** – Electrical Program
- **Lorenzo Wiles** – Carpentry Program
- **Jordan Wondrusch** – Plumbing Program