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Sewing Machine Operators Graduate from Training and Job Placement Initiative on Saturday

Jersey City Employment and Training Holds Graduation Ceremony for Trainees

Jersey City, New Jersey – Last month, Mayor Steven M. Fulop announced the launch of an initiative to train and employ up to 30 Jersey City residents through a partnership with Bethel Industries.

“With the assistance of Councilman Michael Yun, the Jersey City Employment and Training Program customized a training program that will lead to direct hiring,” said Mayor Fulop. “We are proud to announce the graduation of sewing machine operators who this week will start a paid apprenticeship at Bethel Industries.”

Bethel Industries is a Jersey City based company that manufactures apparel items including uniforms for the United States military. The company was founded in 1992 and is owned by Mrs. Sun Kim. It employs approximately 200 individuals.

The graduates completed an intensive four week training program and at the conclusion of the apprenticeship, they will have the opportunity to be hired by the company for permanent employment. The adult students were trained under Rebecca Posey, a teacher from Ferris High School in Jersey City with six years experience and more than 15 years working in the fashion industry.

Councilman Yun and JCETP Executive Director James E. McGreevey were on hand on Saturday, April 19, 2014 at Ferris High School to congratulate the trainees and award them certificates of completion. “I was impressed by the level of dedication these students showed – one student lost her belongings in an apartment fire during the program,” Executive Director McGreevey stated. “They graduated with a valuable, employable skill that is going to help them improve their lives through a unique job opportunity.”



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