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Thank you! Would love to schedule an update meeting on the program.

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**From:** Van Ton-Quinlivan, PG&E PowerPathway  
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- Apply Now: 2011 utility worker training programs
- Free energy-efficiency Educator Training Forum
- Global 300 HR leaders concerned about U.S. workforce preparedness
- White House announces new initiative supporting military families

Best,

Van Ton-Quinlivan and the PG&E PowerPathway Team

Learn more about PG&E's [PowerPathway](#) program, a nationally recognized best practice model for workforce development.

## Apply Now: 2011 Utility Worker Training Programs

PG&E PowerPathway is now accepting applications for its 2011 Bridge to Pre-Apprentice/Utility Worker and Bridge to Gas Utility Worker programs at community colleges in [Fresno](#), [Sacramento](#) and San Jose.

Career preparatory coursework is designed to strengthen participants' candidacy for employment and add to their knowledge of the energy and utility industry. Students will receive the technical, job specific and soft skills training, as well as the physical conditioning needed to compete for entry-level field jobs. Recently discharged veterans are encouraged to apply to the programs in Fresno and Sacramento.

Bridge to Pre-Apprentice/Utility Worker course locations and schedules:

- **Fresno City College**, Fresno, CA -- 5/24/11 to 7/29/11. Apply by: 2/11/11 ([veterans only](#))
- **American River College**, Sacramento, CA -- August to October ([veterans only](#))
- **San Jose City College**, San Jose, CA -- April to June

To apply for consideration, view the [schedule of courses](#) and complete a [course interest form](#). To search and apply for current openings at PG&E, visit [Careers](#).

Since its inception in 2008, [PowerPathway](#) has trained more than 100 military veterans through its PowerPathway Skilled Crafts

## FREE Energy-Efficiency Educator Training Forum April 18-22

Save the date. This spring, the PG&E PowerPathway Energy Efficiency & Renewables Training Network will hold a free Educator Training Forum on energy efficiency/auditing, lighting, renewable energy and Smart Grid.

If you are a community college or high school educator, join us and expand your teaching toolkit, share best practices, and increase your familiarity with the resources and tips PG&E and other instructors have to offer. Lunch will be provided.

**What:** Educator Training Forum

**Where:** [PG&E Pacific Energy Training Center](#)

**When:** 4/18 - 22, 9:00AM to 4:30PM (includes lunch)

**Parking:** Lot at 5th and Mission; BART is recommended

Registration details and a schedule of events will be posted to the [Pacific Energy Center website](#).

*Community college instructors participate in a mock energy audit of a rooftop air handler at PG&E's Pacific Energy Center.*

## Global 300 HR Leaders Concerned about U.S. Workforce Preparedness

Chief human resource officers of

Training Network, which includes the Bridge to Pre-Apprentice/Utility Worker program.

The PG&E PowerPathway Energy Efficiency & Renewables Training Network helps strengthen community access to green career pathways by improving the capacity of California's community colleges to deliver energy efficiency curriculum.

*The 2010 graduating class of the PowerPathway Skilled Craft Training Network's Bridge to Pre-Apprentice/Utility Worker program (Fresno City College) -- all honorably discharged military veterans.*

## Global 300 HR Leaders Concerned about U.S. Workforce Preparedness

Chief human resource officers of more than 300 of the country's largest companies agree that a fundamental restructuring of how employers interact with the academic community, as well as with government training and education policy makers, must take place before US workforce needs can be met.

In a position paper released late last year, members of the [Human Resource Policy Association](#) (HRPA) call for key stakeholders to become far better aligned with the needs of employers to create the conditions necessary to develop a labor force that is prepared to compete in the new economy.

*"Neither education policy nor educational institutions in the U.S. seem to fully appreciate the constant increase in the acceleration of change in the way work is done and the skills needed to do that work." [Educating the 21st Century Workforce: The Views of Chief Human Resource Officers Regarding Education, Training, and Skills Development, HRPA, 2010.](#)*

## White House Announces New Initiative Supporting Military Families

A recently released White House report, [Strengthening Our Military Families: Meeting America's Commitment](#), unveils a new government-wide approach to military family support in a sweeping effort to strengthen families and enhance their well-being and quality of life. One of the 50 specific commitments will be to focus on educating corporate American on the benefits of hiring from the military.

*"We want every company in America to know that our military spouses and veterans have the skills and the dedication, and our nation is more competitive when we tap their incredible talents."*

President Obama, January 24, 2011

PG&E is proud to count more than 1,200 military veterans among its 20,000 employees. [Read about some of these dedicated employees](#) and their experience working at PG&E.