

*Union Apprenticeship*

# A BRIGHTER FUTURE!



## Union Pipe Trades Training Center

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WE ACCEPT APPLICATIONS BY  
APPOINTMENT ONLY

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You must apply in person with all  
necessary documentation.

Location:

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# SAN DIEGO & IMPERIAL COUNTIES

## PIPE TRADES APPRENTICESHIP

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### Plumber & Steamfitter Apprenticeship

The San Diego & Imperial Counties Joint Apprenticeship Committee dispenses applications for apprenticeship training in the pipe trades industry to all qualified applicants on a non-discriminatory basis. The Joint Apprenticeship Committee is committed to Equal Opportunity for all persons, regardless of age, race, color, national origin or gender. **MINORITIES AND WOMEN ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.** This announcement does not guarantee employment.

#### **MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Must be a minimum of 18 years of age.
2. ORIGINAL birth certificate. We **only** accept an original birth certificate, we **do not accept** a photo copy, hospital certificates or baptismal records. If you were not born in this country, you must provide a translated copy of your birth certificate.
3. Original High School Diploma or G.E.D. Certificate. If you do not have your high school diploma, you must provide transcripts from your high school with your name, date of birth, and date of graduation. It must be stamped with the school seal and received in a sealed envelope from the school.
4. Physical Requirements: Must be able to perform the physical requirements of the trade.
5. Must have a valid California Driver's License and reliable transportation.
6. Pass the Piping Industry Entry Level Assessment written exam with a score of 38 out of 50 questions correct.
7. Oral Interview.

#### **STEP #1 – REGISTRATION**

Register at the San Diego & Imperial Counties Pipe Trades Apprenticeship office located at 8616 Cuyamaca Street, Santee, CA 92071. **We accept application by appointment only.** You must submit the following to apply:

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## **STEP #1 – REGISTRATION (cont.)**

3. Original High School Diploma or G.E.D. Certificate. If you do not have your high school diploma, you must provide transcripts from your high school with your name, date of birth, and date of graduation. It must be stamped with the school seal and received in a sealed envelope from the school.
4. Valid California Driver's License.

After completing the registration requirements your name will be placed on the waiting list for the written exam.

## **STEP #2 – WRITTEN EXAM**

Applicant will be notified by mail approximately two weeks before the exam date. Upon passing the written exam your name will be placed on the applicant list to proceed to Step #3. If you are unable to be reached, we will proceed to the next name on the list.

## **STEP #3 – ORAL INTERVIEW**

Upon successfully passing the Piping Industry Entry Level Assessment written exam, notification will be mailed approximately weeks before the oral interview.

## **STEP #4 – APPLICANT**

Upon successfully passing steps #2 and #3, applicants will be considered for placement into the apprenticeship program as needed.

## **STEP #5 – DRUG AND ALCOHOL SCREENING**

Applicants must take and pass a drug and alcohol screening, at no monetary cost to the applicant, in order to be placed in the San Diego & Imperial Counties Pipe Trades Apprenticeship Program Applicants.

If an applicant fails the drug and alcohol screening required, they are not eligible for placement into the apprenticeship program and cannot reapply for the program for a minimum of one (1) year.

## **STEP #6 – PROGRAM PLACEMENT**

After a successful drug and alcohol screening an orientation meeting will be scheduled.

**YOU MUST INFORM THE APPRENTICE OFFICE OF ANY CONTACT CHANGES.**

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**MOST COMMON QUESTIONS ASKED:**

**What is an Apprenticeship:**

Apprenticeship is a combination of “on the job training” and “classroom instruction”. A school year shall consist of six (6) class sessions. Each class session will be held for one week, consisting of four consecutive days (40 Hours). Apprentices work for local contractors under the guidance of a journeyman and are paid by the contractors for work performed while learning the work. Apprentices are NOT PAID to attend school.

**Term of the Apprenticeship Program?**

Our Program is a 5-year apprenticeship program.

**How Much Does the Apprenticeship Cost?**

The only cost associated with the program is the initiation fee to join Local 230 and monthly dues.

**How Much Will I Earn as an Apprentice?**

Starting wages for a first year apprentice is 45% of Journeyman wages, plus benefits. As apprentices complete each year of work and classroom instruction, they are advanced to the next wage level. The hourly wage for a fifth year apprentice is 80% of Journeyman wages, plus benefits. A journeyman currently earns \$48.13/hour, plus benefits.

**Does the Apprenticeship Qualify for VA Benefits?**

Yes. Our Program is approved for VA Benefits.

**Pre-Employment Drug Testing.**

**LOCAL 230 CONTRACTORS REQUIRE DRUG TESTING. You will be required to take a drug test prior to being accepted into the apprenticeship program at no cost to you.**

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## **CAREERS**

**Plumber** – A skilled Plumber of the United Association performs the highest quality of work that is essential to the health and safety of our society. Plumbers install, repair, service and maintain the piping and plumbing systems that deal with all aspects of potable water distribution, sanitation waste drainage, storm water, solar, hydraulic and desalination systems. Plumbers endeavor to provide the highest quality product that will minimize contamination of drinking water and to properly dispose of waste water. Plumbers also install life-saving systems that provide doctors and caregivers the necessary tools to help those in need of services in hospitals, dental offices, veterinarian hospitals and much more. These are just few things that plumbers work with on a daily basis. With a growing focus on green technologies, water conservation and energy efficiency, the demand for plumbers will increase significantly in the years ahead.

**Steamfitter/Pipefitter** – A skilled Steamfitter/Pipefitter fabricate, assemble, install, maintain, and repair process piping systems that transport all of types of fluids, slurries and gas in the residential, commercial and industrial sectors. Their work is diverse and in fields such as oil refineries, paper mills, nuclear power plants, manufacturing plants, and in the automotive industry. Steamfitters/Plumbers often work on high pressure and high temperature systems, requiring a thorough knowledge of scientific principles to complete the work safely.