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PathPoint Celebrates 45th Anniversary

Antelope Valley, CA ----To celebrate its 45th Anniversary and its adoption of a new organization name, the Los Angeles County Division of PathPoint (*formerly Work Training Programs, Inc.*) is hosting an Open House on Thursday, November 5, 2009 from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm at its Antelope Valley location at 348 East Ave K-4, Suite B in Lancaster. Founded in 1964, PathPoint is a local nonprofit organization that provides comprehensive training and support services that empower people with disabilities to live and work as valued members of our communities.

According to Bill Murphy, Los Angeles County Vice-President/Director, many of PathPoint's program participants, family members, employer partners, supporters, and funders will be on hand to celebrate the notable occasion. "We look forward to coming together to celebrate our new agency name and the many successes we have achieved over the past 45 years."

Elizabeth Gorski, PathPoint Program Coordinator at the Antelope Valley facility, will make introductions at the event. Gorski strongly believes in PathPoint's mission to give adults with developmental disabilities the opportunity to work and give back to their community. She sees the positive results in the Antelope Valley area. Gorski notes: "It is so satisfying to be a part of making these opportunities available to so many determined and dedicated individuals."

Program participants appreciate that PathPoint helps to create a community where people with disabilities and disadvantages have opportunities to lead full and productive lives. An Arts and Crafts Fair event featuring items created by program participants in Antelope Valley will be available for purchase.

Helping PathPoint celebrate its 45th Anniversary will be program participants and their families, PathPoint staff, Antelope Valley funding agencies, and local officials.

To participate in the Open House, please contact Elizabeth Gorski at 661.723.7484 x 303 or email elizabeth.gorski@pathpoint.org. PathPoint is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, federal tax ID # 95-2371668. To support the festivities, any "celebratory" tax-deductible donations are welcomed. If you would like to make a contribution, please visit www.pathpoint.org or send your donation to 348 East Avenue K-4, Suite B, Lancaster, California 93535.

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Connecting people, purpose and communities since 1964, PathPoint (formerly known as Work Training Programs) is a non profit organization providing comprehensive training and support services that empower people with disabilities or disadvantages to live and work as valued community members. PathPoint serves 2,300 people in the communities of San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Kern and Los Angeles.