## **In Demand Entry-Level Occupations**

### South Central Coast Regional Planning Unit

San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties

An entry-level occupation requires a high school diploma or equivalent or less.



### Farmworkers and Laborers, Crop, Nursery, and Greenhouse

30,700 TOTAL PROJECTED JOB OPENINGS

\$15.28 MEDIAN HOURLY WAGE



# Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food

17,310 TOTAL PROJECTED JOB OPENINGS

\$15.87 MEDIAN HOURLY WAGE



### **Waiters and Waitresses**

16,810 TOTAL PROJECTED JOB OPENINGS

\$15.36 MEDIAN HOURLY WAGE



#### **Cashiers**

15,040 TOTAL PROJECTED JOB OPENINGS

\$15.12 MEDIAN HOURLY WAGE



### **Personal Care Aides**

14,360 TOTAL PROJECTED JOB OPENINGS

\$15.24 MEDIAN HOURLY WAGE

**Source:** California Employment Development Department, Projections of Employment 2018-2028. Total projected job openings are the sum of numeric change, exits, and transfers. Occupational Employment Statistics Wage Survey, updated to first quarter of 2022.



**Notes:** Per the Bureau of Labor Statistics, some occupations are no longer being published separately and instead were published as aggregations. The median hourly wage for Personal Care Aides was aggregated into Home Health and Personal Care Aides. The median hourly wage for Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food was aggregated into Fast Food and Counter Workers.