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### Everyday Is Green-Collar Jobs Day at Apollo

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But today seems especially so.

It seems that more stories about green jobs have appeared in my inbox today than usual. Perhaps because the presidential candidates are putting green jobs into the campaign vernacular. Here's a few stories that go beyond the 'let's have more green jobs' stump speech.

On an NRDC podcast, Jori Lewis talks to a veteran about [connecting GI's with green jobs](#).

In 2007, Congress allocated \$125 million for The Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Worker Training Program with the goal that 35,000 workers will be trained in green jobs like solar panel installation and building efficiency retrofits. Labor affiliation is a condition of receiving the money. [Some folks aren't to happy about that](#).

And happy anniversary to Los Angeles Community College District. Five years ago, its Board adopted an extensive green building policy that mandated all new buildings funded with 50% or more of bond dollars be LEED accredited. The LACCD celebrated at a dedication ceremony for its 1.2 megawatt solar power project at East LA College. So what does this have to do with green jobs?

The LACCD is actively developing "green" job creation and certification in partnership with four-year colleges, public schools, unions and businesses. All nine community colleges are dedicated to training students for jobs for the new green economy in fields including business, architecture, design, construction, utilities and transportation. In addition, students receiving a general education will be exposed to sustainable concepts and programs.

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