

Workforce Investment Board
Castle Airport Conference Center
1900 Airdrome Entry, Atwater, CA
Thursday, September 3, 2009, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Meeting Agenda



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1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of July 9, 2009 Minutes
4. Public Opportunity to Speak
5. Consent Agenda
 - a. Grant Opportunity – Healthcare Sector and Other High Growth and Emerging Industries Brian Cutler
 - b. Quality Employment and Development Committee Mission Statement Brian Cutler
 - c. Priority of Services to Veterans Brian Cutler
 - d. Merced College Course – Water Treatment Operator Alfredo Mendoza
6. Action Agenda.....
 - a. Occupations in Demand..... Brian Cutler
 - b. Eligible Training Provider List (Truck Driving) – Central Valley Opportunity Center Alfredo Mendoza
 - c. Pathways Out of Poverty
 - 1) Central Valley Opportunity Center Alfredo Mendoza
 - 2) Merced College Alfredo Mendoza
 - d. California Clean Energy Workforce Training Program Alfredo Mendoza
 - e. Disability Program Navigator Funding Brian Cutler
7. Presentations
 - a. Solar Power Assets (SPA) Bill Roeder
8. Reports.....
 - a. Youth Council (Video) Debra Glass
9. Information
 - a. Fiscal Report Jackie Walther-Parnell
 - b. Participant Report..... Brian Cutler
 - c. Enterprise Zone Manager Brian Cutler
 - d. Labor Market Information Brian Cutler
 - e. Summer Youth Program Alfredo Mendoza
10. Director Comments (5 min)
11. Chair Comments (5 min)
12. Next Meeting – September 3, 2009.....
13. Adjourn.....
14. Tour of Castle Facility (4:00-5:00)

Workforce Investment Board
Dept of Workforce Investment, Large Conference Rm
1880 W. Wardrobe Ave, Merced, CA
July 9, 2009, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes



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Members Present:

Lee Andersen	Andrea Baker	Agustin Beltran
Bob Bittner	Brenda Callahan-Johnson	Edward Dietz
Ernie Flores	Debra Glass	Carol Greenberg
David Long	Albert Montejano	Steve Newvine
Terry Nichols	Rick Osorio	Alfonse Peterson
Al Romero	Loretta Schlosser	Vann (Mike) Smith
Mike Sullivan	Hubert "Hub" Walsh	James Wood Jr

Members Absent:

Rennise Ferrario	Peter Fluetsch	Darren Hughes
Henry Ildefonso	Amalee Jayasinghe	Joseph Lombardi
Nancy Ugarte	Karyn Wiens	

Others Present:

Brian Cutler	John Fowler	Dee Knight
Holly Newlon	Santiago Maldonado	Alfredo Mendoza
Joanne Presnell	Frank Quintero	Kurt Silva
Jackie Walther-Parnell		

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call – The Chair, Mr. Albert Montejano, called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. Roll call was taken.
 2. Approval of Agenda – It was *M/S/C Dietz/Smith* to approve the agenda.
 3. Approval of Minutes – It was *M/S/C Long/Glass* to approve the May 14, 2009 minutes.
 4. Public Opportunity to Speak – Mr. Santiago Maldonado, Director of Operations, Sintex Security Services, Inc, introduced himself, and noted he was present to answer any questions regarding Sintex's application to the State ETPL.
 5. Consent Agenda: It was *M/S/C Dietz/Bittner* to approve items 5a.-e. of the Consent Agenda.
 - a. Chair Appointment to Executive Committee – Vann (Mike) Smith.
 - b. Revised Supportive Services Policy.
 - c. Overarching Policy for WIA Formula and ARRA Funding.
 - d. Merced College Green Industries Exploration Course Contract.
 - e. Merced College Green Technologies in Electrical Automobile Contract.
 6. Action Agenda:
 - a. Individual Training Account (ITA) Policy Update: It was *M/S/C Osorio/Nichols* to approve changing the ITA amount to \$4,500.
 - b. Merced Adult School Computer Literacy Labs: It was *M/S/C Osorio/Andersen (abstain Glass)* to approve the contract with Merced Adult School for Computer Literacy Labs at Castle Learning Center and East Campus from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, and forward to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) for approval.

- c. Employment Training Provider List Application: It was *M/S/C Andersen/Nichols* to approve adding Sintex Security Services, Inc to the State ETPL.
- d. Workforce Investment Board Membership – Mario Delgado: It was *M/S/C Osorio/Long* to approve items 6d.-k. of the Action Agenda, and forward to the BOS for approval. Mr. Cordell Price and Mr. John Fowler were present and introduced themselves to the group.
- e. Workforce Investment Board Membership – Richard Liszewski.
- f. Workforce Investment Board Membership – Cordell A. Price.
- g. Youth Council Membership – Melissa Abby.
- h. Youth Council Membership – Sgt Robert Bender.
- i. Youth Council Membership – John Fowler.
- j. Youth Council Membership – Nellie McGarry.
- k. Youth Council Membership – Atenas Vallejo.
- l. Calendar of Workforce Investment Board Meetings: It was *M/S/C Flores/Greenberg* to approve the meeting schedules for PY 2009/2010.
- m. San Joaquin Workforce Collaborative (Grant): It was *M/S/C Sullivan/Long* to authorize the Dept to provide up to \$7,500 matching funds, if necessary, for a successful community-based organization that receives a grant from the San Joaquin Workforce Collaborative.
- n. Merced College Trainings: It was *M/S/C Beltran/Long* to approve the targeted training areas and the Dept to negotiate with Merced College to provide the specified training.

7. Presentations:

- a. Summer Youth: Ms. Holly Newlon gave the following presentation on the Merced County Office of Education’s (MCOE) Summer Youth Program, ages 14-17:
 - MCOE has 137 students enrolled, and 3 being processed, for a total of 140.
 - 70 out-of-school youth and 67 in-school youth are working in Merced County.
 - Some of the worksites are Atwater High School, Food 4 Less, and Parks & Recreation.
 - All participants attend class one morning or afternoon each week in which they learn Career Exploration and Development, developing a Career Action Plan, and preparing an Employability Portfolio.
 - They have 200 participants in the year-round program also working.

Ms. Bernedette Castaneda provided the following information on the Summer Youth Program, ages 18-24:

- The HVAC class began June 22nd with 29 participants—19 from Merced, 5 from Los Banos, and 5 from Madera. Nineteen are working out of the 29. Three out of the 5 in Madera have a job. It is anticipate the others will also have jobs.
- PG&E provided participants a workbook on Heating & Air Conditioning Wiring Safety, a DVD, and other handouts on cooling and heating systems.
- The Thrive and Survive class was attended by each participant.
- All the projects are underway—2 in Planada at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and a Beautification Project; Parks & Recreation Day Camp Project; and the Foster Youth Project will start next week.
- A DVD was shown of some participants receiving their first paycheck, and sharing how rewarding it was to have a job and what they were going to do with the money.

- b. Dept of Labor Message to Workforce Investment Boards: Ms. Andrea Baker noted the Dept of Labor (DOL) message regarding the ARRA funds is “Spend it Fast/Spend it Well”. The training

opportunities have increased immensely, and the accountability and use of funds reporting is intense. All information provided to DOL and Employment Development Dept will be posted on the website.

8. Discussion:

a. Ed Morrison Presentation: Staff noted the Ed Morrison presentation on Open Source Economic Development will be held September 23, 2009, 8:00-11:00 a.m., at the Merced County Fairgrounds Pavilion. It will be a breakfast meeting. The capacity is limited to 300.

Suggested methods of advertising for this event were a presentation at the BOS and City Council, putting a notice in the Chambers of Commerce newsletter, and the City of Merced Municipal Services newsletter.

9. Information: No comments were made on the information items.

- a. Performance Measures.
- b. Labor Market Information.
- c. Customer Service & Satisfaction Report.
- d. New Start Program.
- e. Fiscal Report.
- f. Participant Report.
- g. Empower Quarterly Youth Report (Ages 17-21).
- h. Youth Opportunity Program Quarterly Report (Ages 14-28).
- i. Predicting the end of the Recession (Article).

10. Director Comments: Ms. Baker noted there is a regional collaboration for National Emergency Grant funds in the amount of \$15 million to help our educational providers who are losing capacity because of the State budget. It was submitted June 30, 2009. Tulare County will be the lead if awarded.

The New Start Program is from the Dept of Corrections. All Workforce Investment Areas in the State have been allocated funds. Merced County received \$40,000 to work with parolees coming out of prison. Staff will work with the Quality Employment Development Committee to determine how to best utilize these funds. Suggested use of these funds will be brought to the full WIB for approval.

The regional CA Green Jobs Corps Grant was awarded. Merced will be the fiscal provider of this grant. The region received \$937,890. A total of 131 youth from the region will go to Camp Green Meadows for environmental course work, work at Yosemite for 1 week, and go back to their various communities to participate in conservation projects and additional course work on green jobs.

The CA Employment Development Dept puts out a weekly regional bulletin. In the last issue, Merced County was highlighted. It stated our economy will start moving and employment will be good again by 2012, San Joaquin in 2013 and Stanislaus in 2014.

Ms. Baker noted she has been elected as Chair of the State CA Workforce Association for next year. She then asked Ms. Debra Glass to present the updated Youth Resource Directory to the WIB.

11. Chair Comments: The Chair welcomed the new WIB members, thanked everyone for attending and participating in the discussions. He noted the Summer Youth Program is going great and on target.

12. Next Meeting – Sept 3, 2009, Commerce, Aviation & Economic Development, Castle Airport.

13. Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned 4:30 p.m.

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: Executive Committee

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Grant Opportunity – Department of Labor - Healthcare Sector and Other High Growth and Emerging Industries Grant

PROPOSED MOTION(S): That the Workforce Investment Board ratify the Executive Committee's decision to approve the Department of Workforce Investment to gather regional support for the application process of the Department of Labor Healthcare Sector and Other high Growth and Emerging Industries grant with regular updates given to the Quality Employment and Development Committee.

DISCUSSION: On August 3, 2009, the Executive Committee voted to approve a new Department of Labor solicitation for grant application issued. The amount of the grant ranges between \$2-5 million, and a duration of 36 months.

ATTACHMENT(S):
Grant Summary

Solicitation for Grant Application Summary

Grant Name: Healthcare Sector and Other High Growth and Emerging Industries

Funding Source: Department of Labor-Employment and Training Administration American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

Deadline: 10/5/2009

Eligible Applicants: May include LWIBs

Webinar: 8/12/09

Partnership Requirements: One from each of the following

1. LWIB
2. Public and private employers in healthcare or industry-related org
3. Education and training community

Communities/Area to be Served:

Total Funds Available: \$220 Million

Number of Grants to be Issued: 45-65

Amount of Individual Grants: \$2-5 Million

Cost Sharing (Leverage): Not required but leveraged strongly encouraged and scored

Purpose of Grant: Teach workers necessary skills for and help pursue careers in healthcare and other high growth and emerging industry sectors.

Participant Target: Unemployed workers, dislocated workers, incumbent workers including low-wage workers.

Potential Occupations by Target Industries: Allied Health

1. Medical Assistants
2. Respiratory Therapists
3. Pharmacy Technicians
4. Diagnostic Medical Sonographers
5. Paramedics
6. Radiological Technicians

Long-Term Healthcare

1. Certified Nursing assistants

2. Home Health Specialists
3. Home and Personal Care Workers
4. Direct Support Professionals
5. Registered Nurses working in Long-Term Care Settings

High Growth and Emerging Industries

1. Information Technology
2. Advanced Manufacturing
3. Wireless and Broadband Deployment
4. Transportation and Warehousing
5. Biotechnology

Industry Target: Healthcare and subsectors

Nursing, Allied Health, Long-Term Care

Other High Growth and Emerging Industries

Allowable Activities: Training

1. Classroom Training
2. On-the-Job-Training
3. Registered Apprenticeship
4. Contextualized Learning
5. Internship
6. Customized Training
7. Basic Skills
8. Initial Assessment
9. Job Search
10. Case Management
11. Retention
12. Support Services
13. Updating Curriculum

Support Services: Yes

Describe Successful Training:

1. Target skills and competencies demanded by industries described earlier
2. Support career pathways such as an articulated career ladder or lattice
3. Result in an employer or industry recognized certificate or degree
4. Combine supportive services with training services to help participants overcome barriers to employment
5. Provide training services at times and locations that are easily accessible to targeted populations

Length of Grant: 36 Months

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: Executive Committee

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Quality Employment and Development Committee Mission Statement

PROPOSED MOTION(S): That the Workforce Investment Board ratify the Executive Committee's decision to approve the new mission statement for the Quality Employment and Development Committee.

DISCUSSION: On August 3, 2009, the Executive Committee voted to approve the new mission statement for the Quality Employment and Development Committee (QUED). On July 16, 2009, the QUED met. The committee drafted the following mission statement:

“Develop, institute and evaluate policies that promote effectiveness, quality and continuous improvement in our One-Stop Career Centers and programs that produce positive employment outcomes.”

The committee believes the statement is reflective of the activities and guidance the QUED will pursue.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: Executive Committee

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Priority of Services to Veterans

PROPOSED MOTION(S): The Workforce Investment Board ratify the Executive Committee's decision to approve revised Priority of Services to Veterans Policy.

DISCUSSION: The Priority of Services to Veterans Policy was last modified January 8, 2009. On June 29, 2009, the Employment Development Department issued directive WSD08-10 articulating how priority of service for veterans and eligible spouses is to be applied across all existing and new Department of Labor qualified job training programs. The most notable difference is the need to determine whether veterans and eligible spouses (covered persons) meet the criteria for priority services upon their initial visit to the One-Stop (actual or virtual). The directive goes on to state that a process must be in place to notify covered persons that they are entitled to priority services, which include universal, intensive and training services. The current policy needs to be updated to include these mandates.

On August 3, 2009 the Executive Committee voted to approve the revised Priority of Services to Veterans Policy.

**ATTACHMENT(S):
Revised Priority of Services to Veterans**



**DEPARTMENT OF
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT**

**Policy
For**

**Priority of Services to
Veterans**

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Policy: Section 4215 of Public Law 107-288, 2002, known as the Jobs for Veterans Act, creates a priority of services for veterans and eligible spouses (covered persons). Per the Employment & Training Administration (ETA) Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) 5-03 and State Directive WSD08-10, local areas are required to ensure that all covered persons are given priority for universal services over noncovered persons. In addition, eligible covered persons are given priority over eligible noncovered persons for Core-B, Intensive and Training services. The Merced Workforce Investment Board (WIB) has previously issued policy that implements statutory provisions requiring priority of service for intensive and training services to low income and public assistance individuals; thus, any eligible covered person shall be provided priority over an eligible “noncovered person” for these services.

Under the Jobs for Veterans Act, “covered person” is defined as a veteran or eligible spouse whereas:

- A veteran is an individual who served in the active military, naval or air service, and who was discharged or released from such service under conditions other than dishonorable. Active service includes full-time duty in the National Guard or Reserve component, other than full-time duty for training purposes.
- Eligible Spouse means the spouse of any of the following:
 - Any veteran who died of a service-connected disability;
 - Any member of the Armed Forces serving on active duty who, at the time of application for assistance, is listed in one or more of the following categories and has been so listed for a total of more than 90 days:
 - Missing in action;
 - Captured in line of duty by a hostile force; or
 - Forcibly detained or interned in line of duty by a foreign government or power;
 - Any veteran who has a total disability resulting from a service-connected disability, as evaluated by the Department of Veterans Affairs
 - Any veteran who died while a disability, so evaluated above, was in existence.

Eligibility for the WIA Title I Youth Program is not affected by the veteran’s priority.

Responsible Official: Assistant Director

Revised Date: July 21, 2009

Reviewed Date: July 21, 2009

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: Executive Committee

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Merced College Course – Water Treatment Operator

PROPOSED MOTION(S): That the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) ratify the Executive Committee's decision to recommend the course offering in the field of Water Treatment Plant Operator through Merced College to serve Workforce Investment Act/American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) eligible participants for the period September 15, 2009 through December 31, 2009, at a cost not to exceed \$8,950, and forward to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

DISCUSSION: On August 3, 2009, the Executive Committee voted to approve the Merced College Water Treatment Operator Course. ARRA has made it possible to enroll a large number of participants into various trainings over the summer. On July 9, 2009, the WIB approved this targeted training area, and approved staff negotiating with Merced College to provide the specified training.

Merced College instructors will provide a six-week, fifty-four (54) hour course that will prepare participants to test for State certification for Water Treatment Plant Operator Grade 1 and 2.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Occupations in Demand

PROPOSED MOTION(S): That the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) approves the development of a new policy using the three criteria listed below to determine demand occupations.

DISCUSSION: The Law—WIA 134(d)(4)(A)(iii) Linkage to occupations in demand training services provided under this paragraph shall be directly linked to occupations that are in demand in the local area, or in another area to which an adult or dislocated worker receiving such services is willing to relocate, except that a local board may approve training services for occupations determined by the local board to be in sectors of the economy that have a high potential for sustained demand or growth in local areas.

On August 12, 2009, the Quality Employment and Development Committee met and determined it would be beneficial for the WIB to consider a more flexible Occupations in Demand Policy than the current policy. The current WIB policy uses a limited amount of information that may be out of date with the current labor market and fluctuating economic environment. The Department of Workforce Investment needs to be able to respond appropriately and swiftly to the fast changing job market.

The QUED has proposed that a new policy be developed using the following three criteria to determine demand occupations:

1. The five demand industry clusters the WIB has approved in the past
2. Current job listings from various electronic job postings
3. Specific employer requests

ATTACHMENT(S):

Current Occupations in Demand Policy

Occupations in Demand

Policy: For the purpose of Section 134(d)(4)(A)(iii) of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, training services shall be deemed to be linked to occupations in demand if the proposed training is in an occupation with a forecasted Total Growth with openings of at least six (6) per year in (a) the local labor market or (b) the labor market to which the recipient of such training services has agreed to relocate.

For purposes of this policy, Total Growth shall be defined as the sum of openings resulting from “industry growth”, “technological change” and “separations” as defined by the State of California, Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division.

Determination of demand shall be based on the most recent published forecast produced for the relevant labor market by the State of California, Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division.

The Board may, from time to time, designate additional occupations that do not meet the above criteria but which it believes have a high potential for sustained demand or growth in the local labor market.

Responsible Official: Special Projects Manager

Reviewed Date: May 21, 2008

Revised Date: March 18, 2005

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL) Program Addition

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Approve Central Valley Opportunity Center's Professional Truck Driving Training for addition to the State ETPL.

DISCUSSION: The Workforce Investment Board approved an updated ETPL policy on January 12, 2006. The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) requires that training providers who wish to access WIA funds must submit applications to be placed on the State training list. Providers must meet all local and state criteria, agree to provide approved training to WIA-enrolled participants and must agree to abide by all WIA-required regulations and/or laws.

The application from Central Valley Opportunity Center's Professional Truck Driving Training is complete and meets the requirements for inclusion in the ETPL. The program is registered by the Bureau for Private Post-Secondary and Vocational Educational (BPPVE). The length of the program is 160 hours of instruction with a cost of \$3,950.00.

**ATTACHMENT(S):
Application**

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Program Code

03. COCCC ID

04. Subgrantee Code

05. Agency Code

06. Date Received By LWIB

07. Local Program Code

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT TRAINING PROGRAM APPLICATION

Provider Name
Central Valley Opportunity Center

08. Program Name
Professional Truck Driver Training

09. Program Description
Train students to pass the CA DMV class A drivers license and prepare them to work in the transportation industry.s

10. Training Site Address
6838 Bridget Court

City, State
Winton, CA

11. ZIP
95388

12. County
Merced-24

13. Listed On Other State's ETPL
 1-Yes
 2-No

14. ADA Compliant
 1-Yes
 2-No

15. Total Hours Of Instruction
160 Hours

16. Credits
0

17. Non-Credit
 1-Yes
 2-No

18. Credit Time
 1-Semester
 2-Quarter

Total Program Cost
19. Tuition \$3,700
20. Fees \$75
21. Expenses \$175
Total \$3,950

22. Mode of Delivery
 1-Classroom
 2-Internet
 3-Correspondence
 4-Broadcast
 5-Computer Based Instruction

When Program Is Offered
23 Days 1-Yes 2-No
24 Evenings 1-Yes 2-No
25 Weekends 1-Yes 2-No

26. Frequency of Offering
 1-Weekly
 2-Monthly
 3-Quarter
 4-Semester
 5-Other

27. BPPVE Approval Status
 1-Approved
 2-Temporary Approval
 3-Registered
 4-Exempt
 9-Not Applicable

28. BPPVE Approval Expiration Date
5/30/08

29. Other BPPVE Approved Programs
 1-Yes
 2-No
2

30. Registered Apprenticeship
 1-Yes
 2-No

31. Registered Date
NA

Other List Criteria:
32. CDE Approved 1-Yes 2-No
33. COCCC Approved 1-Yes 2-No

34. Continuing Education Units (CEU)
NA

35. CEU Granting Institution
NA

36. Resources Required
 1-Yes
 2-No

37. Program Goal
 1-Skill Attainment
 2-Certificate
 3-Registration
 4-License
 5-Associate Degree
 6-Baccalaureate Degree
 7-Other

38. Credentialing Body
NA

39. Projected Hourly Wage After Program Completion
\$12.00

40. Prerequisites
Valid CA Drivers License with a clean driving record,, pass DOT physical, pass drug screen, 18 Years oldy

41. Skills Sets
Basics of trucking industry, trucking equipment inspections & servicing, mechanical components, cargo loading, log books, truck operations, CDL test preparation.

WIA Training Program Application (continued)

42. Curriculum		43. Relevant Occupations (Soc/O*Net Code)	
Course Code	Course Title	Code	Title
1	Professional Truck Driving Training)	533030	Driver/Sales Workers and Truck Driver
		533032	Truck Driver Heavy
		533033	Truck Driver Light
		44. Relevant Occupation Recommendation	
		Soc/O*Net Category	Description
			Truck Driver, Heavy
Accessibility 45. On-Site Parking <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2-No 46. Public Transportation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2-No 47. Disabled Student Access <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2-No 48. Sign Language <input type="checkbox"/> 1-Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2-No 49. Other Languages <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2-No 50. Other <input type="checkbox"/> 1-Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2-No		51. Target Audience Entry level employees 52. Average Class Size 7 students 53. Equipment to be Used Tractor trailer combinations	
INITIAL PERFORMANCE INFORMATION - OPTIONAL			
54. Period Begin Date	55. Period End Date	56. Participant Universe	57. Average Hourly Wage at Placement
58. Program Completion Rate	59. Entered Employment Rate	60. Skill/Credential Attainment Rate	61. Retention Rate
I certify that the information submitted on this application is true and correct			
62. Printed Name of Provider Representative		63. Title	64. Date
John Jepson		Planning Director	8/25/09
Signature			

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Grant Opportunity with Central Valley Opportunity Center – Department of Labor/ETA – Pathways Out of Poverty

PROPOSED MOTION(S): That the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) approve partnering with Central Valley Opportunity Center (CVOC) for a Pathways Out of Poverty grant offered through the Department of Labor’s Employment Training Administration (DOL/ETA). Also, the Department of Workforce Investment negotiate the WIB’s role in the grant and, if successful, bring agreements on implementation back to the WIB for approval.

DISCUSSION: CVOC is planning on applying for a Pathways Out of Poverty grant made available through the Department of Labor Employment & Training Administration (DOL/ETA). The total number of program participants and outcome targets for the this project is pending. If awarded, the role of the WIB may include providing support for a needs assessment of current and future “green job training” of local employers. CVOC will include training funds in the proposed project to address the assessment and training needs of local employers. CVOC plans on starting a weatherization training center to train home and business energy assessors with future training plans to include training in solar energy installation.

If successful, agreements between CVOC and the Department of Workforce Investment for services will be brought back to the WIB for approval.

Due Date: September 29, 2009

Amount: Maximum grant award of \$3.5 million.

Time Frame: 24-month period of performance.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Grant Opportunity with Merced College – Department of Labor/ETA – Pathways Out of Poverty

PROPOSED MOTION(S): That the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) approves partnering with Merced College to develop and deploy a Pathways Out of Poverty grant offered through the Department of Labor’s Employment Training Administration (DOL/ETA). Also, the Department of Workforce Investment negotiate the WIB’s role in the grant application and, if successful, bring the agreements back to the WIB for approval.

DISCUSSION: Merced College will serve as the applicant in this collaborative project designed to provide training, education and placement services to prepare individuals seeking pathways out of poverty and into employment opportunities in careers in green industries. The Merced Pathways project grant request of approximately \$3.5 million for a 24-month project will develop social, academic and employment support systems to foster success at individual, family and community levels. This project incorporates the nationally recognized Move the Mountain-Circles Campaign through a Merced-based Circles Campaign collaborative that includes consumers, businesses, faith-based organizations, educational institutions and other public and private entities. The Merced Pathways project will focus on the following energy efficiency and renewable energy industries:

- Energy-efficient building, construction, and retrofit industries;
- The renewable solar electric power industry;
- The energy efficient and advanced drive train vehicle industry; and/or
- The energy efficiency assessment industry serving residential, commercial or industrial sectors.

The total number of program participants and outcome/evaluation targets for the Merced Pathways project are pending. If awarded, the role of the WIB would include assistance with outreach, recruitment, screening/assessment, determination of WIA eligibility, provision of wrap-around services to eligible participants, program-specific and labor market data development and reporting, in-kind/financial match (encouraged, not required).

If successful, agreements between Merced College and the Department of Workforce Investment for services, will be brought back to the WIB for approval.

Due Date: September 29, 2009

Amount: Maximum grant award of \$3.5 million.

Time Frame: 24-month period of performance.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Grant Opportunity – Department of Labor – California Clean Energy Workforce Training Program

PROPOSED MOTION(S): That the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) approves partnering with Merced College to develop and deploy a California Clean Energy Retraining Partnership grant. Also, the Department of Workforce Investment negotiate the WIB's role in the grant and, if successful, bring the agreements on implementation back to the WIB for approval.

DISCUSSION: Working closely with local, regional and State partners, Merced College continues to selectively pursue American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) sourced funds to support targeted activities that lead to job creation and retention. ARRA-sourced funds help underwrite costs of vital training equipment; classroom-based, distance and on-the-job education and training in the areas of allied health, industrial technologies, and science; and counseling, skills development and other supportive services that contribute to academic and employment success. Targeted beneficiaries of these efforts include dislocated workers, unemployed and/or underemployed adults and youth, and nontraditional and underrepresented populations.

Working together, Merced College and the Merced County Department of Workforce Investment/WIB strive to leverage ARRA funding to develop a skilled workforce that can attract industry and jobs to successfully compete in the new global marketplace. If awarded, the role of the WIB would be to provide assistance in outreach, recruitment, screening/assessment, determination of WIA eligibility, provision of wraparound services to eligible participants, program-specific and labor market data development and reporting, in-kind/financial match.

Merced College will provide foundational classroom and hands-on training on solar photovoltaic energy in residential and commercial applications, with more extensive, specialized education, training and fieldwork in utility-scale solar energy generation, transmission, distribution and installation principals and construction skills.

If successful, agreements between Merced College and the Department of Workforce Investment for services, will be brought back to the WIB for approval.

Due Date: September 16, 2009

Merced College will apply under Category 1b, Clean Energy Retraining Partnership.

Amount: Maximum grant award of \$1 million.

Time Frame: 18-month period of performance beginning October 1, 2009.

Funding: 80% Energy Commission funds (i.e., \$800,000) and 20% WIA Governor's Discretionary (i.e., \$200,000).

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Application to the State Employment Development Department for Disability Program Navigator (DPN)

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Approve the submission of the Disability Program Navigator grant application.

DISCUSSION: The Social Security Administration and the Department of Labor jointly established the Disability Program Navigator (DPN) position. DPNs are located in the One-Stop Career Centers. The goals of the DPN Program include: Facilitation of integrated, seamless and comprehensive services to persons with disabilities in One-Stop Career Centers; improving access to programs and services; facilitating linkages to the employer community and developing demand responsive strategies to meet recruitment and retention needs; increasing employment and self-sufficiency for Social Security disability beneficiaries and other people with disabilities.

Navigators train One-Stop staff to help individuals with disabilities access and navigate the programs and services needed to maintain and gain employment. Navigators conduct outreach to organizations that serve people with disabilities. Navigators are not case managers, rather the position focuses on expanding the capacity of the One-Stop Career Center to serve customers with disabilities.

The total grant amount applied for is \$615,512. The grant would provide for two navigator positions, partial funding for a supervisor, some travel expense for mandatory State meetings and other functions, supplies, administrative and overhead costs.

The grant submission timeline was very short (due by close of business 8/21/09). The grant has been submitted, but further action will not be instituted until WIB approval for the pursuit of this grant is obtained.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Application available at meeting.

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Solar Power Assets (SPA) Presentation

PROPOSED MOTION(S): None. Presentation/For Information Only.

DISCUSSION: SPA is headquartered in the San Francisco Bay Area. SPA is a self-funded solar power startup who has been engaged with various utilities, business partners, government agencies, legislators, educational experts and other entities to test and finalize business plans and processes. The organization specializes in solar power generation, and solar power transmission and distribution.

SPA will present an overview of its organization's concept so the WIB can consider further support through its committees.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: WIA Fiscal Reports

PROPOSED MOTION(S): None. Information Only.

DISCUSSION: Attached is the Fiscal Report for Fiscal Year 2009/10, covering July 1, 2009 through July 31, 2009. This report shows all Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funds available for Fiscal Year 2009/10, accrued expenditures through July 31, 2009, and obligations as of July 31, 2009.

For regular WIA funding, the target for expenditures is approximately 8.33%. As of July 31st we were at 8.62% of available Adult Funds, 7.79% of Dislocated Worker Funds, and 16.65% of Youth Formula Funds (due to last fiscal year contracts paid after the end of the fiscal year). This is within expectations based on planned expenditures for the remainder of the fiscal year and information received from our youth program provider of planned expenditures for the remainder of the contract. Other grants are at different percentages due to different grant timelines.

The second page of the report shows the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds. It is anticipated that most Youth ARRA funds will be used by the end of the Summer Youth Program as recommended by the Department of Labor. Expenditures of Adult, Dislocated Worker, Rapid Response and Administrative funds have begun, and these funds will be spent concurrently with regular WIA funds as required by law.

Staff will be at the meeting to answer questions.

ATTACHMENT(S):
Fiscal Report

**MERCED COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE INVESTMENT
FISCAL REPORT
For Fiscal Year 2009/2010
July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010
Through 07/31/09**

Target 8.33%

AVAILABLE FUNDS			BUDGET					ACTUAL			OBLIGATIONS			COMMITTED - AVAILABLE		
	Carryover Funds From 08/09	Appropriation FY 09/10	Planned for New Funds Per Estimated Plan Mod 7/1/09 to 6/30/10	Budget for Available Funds	Budget Adjustments	Revised Budget	Accrued Expense	Available	Percent Expended	Total Obligated Funds	Available after Obligations	Percent Spent + Obligated	Total Committed Funds	Available after Committed	Pct Spent + Obligated + Committed	
							FY to Date		To Date							
ADULT			Core A \$ 341,755	\$ 492,316	\$ -	\$ 492,316	\$ 20,107	\$ 472,209	4.08%	\$ 9,078	\$ 463,131	5.93%	\$ 292,833	\$ 170,298	65.41%	
09/10 Allocation		\$ 1,601,426	Core B \$ 471,869	\$ 679,752	\$ -	\$ 679,752	\$ 40,028	\$ 639,724	5.89%	\$ 18,315	\$ 621,409	8.58%	\$ 392,911	\$ 228,498	66.39%	
PY Cash Balances 6/30/08	\$ 658,365		Intensive \$ 127,458	\$ 183,610	\$ -	\$ 183,610	\$ 26,306	\$ 157,304	14.33%	\$ 9,354	\$ 147,950	19.42%	\$ 93,547	\$ 54,403	70.37%	
			Training \$ 500,202	\$ 720,567	\$ -	\$ 720,567	\$ 92,630	\$ 627,937	12.86%	\$ 341,376	\$ 286,561	60.23%	\$ 181,190	\$ 105,371	85.38%	
	\$ 658,365	\$ 1,601,426	Total \$ 1,441,284	\$ 2,076,246	\$ -	\$ 2,076,246	\$ 179,072	\$ 1,897,174	8.62%	\$ 378,123	\$ 1,519,051	26.84%	\$ 960,481	\$ 558,570	73.10%	
DISPLACED WORKER			Core A \$ 548,975	\$ 639,421	\$ -	\$ 639,421	\$ 18,807	\$ 620,614	2.94%	\$ 8,485	\$ 612,129	4.27%	\$ 387,043	\$ 225,086	64.80%	
08/09 Allocation		\$ 1,715,640	Core B \$ 496,526	\$ 578,331	\$ -	\$ 578,331	\$ 36,575	\$ 541,756	6.32%	\$ 17,957	\$ 523,799	9.43%	\$ 331,193	\$ 192,606	66.70%	
PY Cash Balances 6/30/09	\$ 278,740		Intensive \$ 149,940	\$ 174,643	\$ -	\$ 174,643	\$ 26,419	\$ 148,225	15.13%	\$ 11,485	\$ 136,740	21.70%	\$ 86,459	\$ 50,280	71.21%	
			Training \$ 348,635	\$ 406,074	\$ -	\$ 406,074	\$ 58,358	\$ 347,716	14.37%	\$ 131,554	\$ 216,162	46.77%	\$ 136,677	\$ 79,484	80.43%	
	\$ 278,740	\$ 1,715,640	Total \$ 1,544,076	\$ 1,798,469	\$ -	\$ 1,798,469	\$ 140,159	\$ 1,658,310	7.79%	\$ 169,480	\$ 1,488,830	17.22%	\$ 941,372	\$ 547,456	69.56%	
YOUTH			In School \$ 927,774	\$ 1,617,559	\$ -	\$ 1,617,559	\$ 227,492	\$ 1,390,067	14.06%	\$ 939,570	\$ 450,497	72.15%	\$ 284,845	\$ 165,652	89.76%	
08/09 Allocation	\$ 1,254,538	\$ 1,718,097	Out of School \$ 618,514	\$ 1,078,373	\$ -	\$ 1,078,373	\$ 221,508	\$ 856,865	20.54%	\$ 704,591	\$ 152,274	85.88%	\$ 96,281	\$ 55,993	94.81%	
PY Cash Balances 6/30/08	\$ 1,254,538	\$ 1,718,097	Total \$ 1,546,288	\$ 2,695,932	\$ -	\$ 2,695,932	\$ 449,000	\$ 2,246,932	16.65%	\$ 1,644,161	\$ 602,771	77.64%	\$ 381,126	\$ 221,645	91.78%	
ADMINISTRATIVE			Total Admin \$ 503,515	\$ 656,159	\$ -	\$ 656,159	\$ 32,635	\$ 623,524	4.97%	\$ 12,274	\$ 611,250	6.84%	\$ 386,487	\$ 224,762	65.75%	
All Formula Grants	\$ 2,191,643	\$ 5,035,163	Total \$ 5,035,163	\$ 7,226,806	\$ -	\$ 7,226,806	\$ 800,866	\$ 6,425,940	11.08%	\$ 2,204,038	\$ 4,221,902	41.58%	\$ 2,669,467	\$ 1,552,433	78.52%	
RAPID RESPONSE/15%/25%			Rapid Resp. \$ 174,246	\$ 174,246	\$ -	\$ 174,246	\$ -	\$ 174,246	0.00%	\$ -	\$ 174,246	0.00%	\$ 110,174	\$ 64,072	63.23%	
Formula Rapid Response (540,541)		\$ 174,246	25% RR Aug \$ -	\$ 62,543	\$ -	\$ 62,543	\$ 8,093	\$ 54,451	12.94%	\$ 2,726	\$ 51,725	17.30%	\$ 32,705	\$ 19,020	69.59%	
Stimulus Rapid Response (p/o 307)	\$ 62,543		25% DW Aug \$ -	\$ 127,452	\$ -	\$ 127,452	\$ 27,967	\$ 99,485	21.94%	\$ 99,378	\$ 106	99.92%	\$ 67	\$ 39	99.97%	
Stimulus DW Augmentation (p/o 307)	\$ 127,452		15% CDCR \$ -	\$ 40,109	\$ -	\$ 40,109	\$ -	\$ 40,109	0.00%	\$ -	\$ 40,109	0.00%	\$ 25,361	\$ 14,748	63.23%	
New Start CDCR 61.60 (442)	\$ 40,109		CalGRIP \$ -	\$ 230,179	\$ -	\$ 230,179	\$ 54,285	\$ 175,894	23.58%	\$ 169,372	\$ 6,522	97.17%	\$ 4,124	\$ 2,398	98.96%	
CalGRIP*	\$ 230,179		Total \$ 174,246	\$ 634,529	\$ -	\$ 634,529	\$ 90,345	\$ 544,184	14.24%	\$ 271,477	\$ 272,708	57.02%	\$ 172,431	\$ 100,277	84.20%	
	\$ 460,283	\$ 174,246														
INCENTIVE AWARDS			Incentive \$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	\$ -	\$ -	100.00%	
09/10 Award (Amount TBD)	\$ -		Total \$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%	\$ -	\$ -	100.00%	
PY Cash Balances 6/30/08	\$ -	\$ -														
	\$ -	\$ -														
OTHER (DoL, Contract, etc.)			LVN Project \$ -	\$ 585,544	\$ -	\$ 585,544	\$ 148,111	\$ 437,433	25.29%	\$ 326,977	\$ 110,456	81.14%	\$ 69,840	\$ 40,616	93.06%	
Federal LVN Grant*	\$ 585,544		SA Biotech \$ 19,453	\$ 19,453	\$ -	\$ 19,453	\$ 951	\$ 18,502	4.89%	\$ 212	\$ 18,290	5.98%	\$ 11,565	\$ 6,725	65.43%	
Stan Alliance Biotech Contract	\$ 19,453		MCCAdvnc \$ 4,500	\$ 4,947	\$ -	\$ 4,947	\$ -	\$ 4,947	0.00%	\$ -	\$ 4,947	0.00%	\$ 3,128	\$ 1,819	63.23%	
MC Career Advancement Academy	\$ 447	\$ 4,500	Total \$ 23,953	\$ 609,943	\$ -	\$ 609,944	\$ 149,062	\$ 460,881	24.44%	\$ 327,188	\$ 133,693	78.08%	\$ 84,533	\$ 49,160	91.94%	
	\$ 585,990	\$ 23,953														

* Amounts represent cash balances remaining from entire multi-year award amounts, which are immediately available.

BUDGET: Includes all funds available for fiscal year based on Plan to be submitted to EDD on request, revised in accordance with latest appropriations information received from Chief, Workforce Services Division, as required. Formula Administrative Funds lose their identity upon appropriation. Dislocated Worker and Rapid Response funds augmented beginning in January 2009 by 307 grant. **In-School Youth 50.67%**
Out-of-School Youth 49.33%

OBLIGATIONS: Includes funds obligated in contracts and ITA's. Does NOT include funds committed for operations.

COMMITTED: Includes projected staff personnel and overhead costs

AVAILABLE: Balance after expenditures and obligations

**MERCED COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE INVESTMENT
FISCAL REPORT FOR FINANCE COMMITTEE (ARRA FUNDS)**

RECOVERY ACT FUNDS

For Fiscal Year 2009/2010
July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010
Through 07/31/09

Target 32.93%

AVAILABLE FUNDS			BUDGET				ACTUAL			OBLIGATIONS			COMMITTED - AVAILABLE		
	Carryover Funds From 08/09	Appropriation FY 09/10	Planned for ARRA Funds Carried Over 7/1/09 to 6/30/10	Budget for Available Funds	Budget Adjustments	Revised Budget	Accrued Expense	Available	Percent Expended	Total Obligated Funds	Available after Obligations	Percent Spent + Obligated	Total Committed Funds	Available after Committed	Pct Spent + Obligated + Committed
							FY to Date		to Date						
ADULT			Core A \$ 199,013	\$ 199,013	\$ -	\$ 199,013	\$ 315	\$ 198,698	0.16%	\$ 132	\$ 198,566	0.22%	\$ 125,551	\$ 73,015	63.31%
08/09 Allocation	\$ 932,555		Core B \$ 274,783	\$ 274,783	\$ -	\$ 274,783	\$ 2,132	\$ 272,651	0.78%	\$ 952	\$ 271,699	1.12%	\$ 171,793	\$ 99,906	63.64%
			Intensive \$ 74,223	\$ 74,223	\$ -	\$ 74,223	\$ 4,413	\$ 69,810	5.95%	\$ 1,806	\$ 68,003	8.38%	\$ 42,998	\$ 25,006	66.31%
			Training \$ 291,281	\$ 291,281	\$ -	\$ 291,281	\$ 24,716	\$ 266,565	8.49%	\$ 84,235	\$ 182,330	37.40%	\$ 115,285	\$ 67,044	76.98%
	\$ 932,555	\$ -	Total \$ 839,300	\$ 839,300	\$ -	\$ 839,300	\$ 31,577	\$ 807,723	3.76%	\$ 87,124	\$ 720,598	14.14%	\$ 455,627	\$ 264,971	68.43%
DISPLACED WORKER			Core A \$ 567,474	\$ 567,474	\$ -	\$ 567,474	\$ 528	\$ 566,946	0.09%	\$ 220	\$ 566,726	0.13%	\$ 358,335	\$ 208,391	63.28%
08/09 Allocation	\$ 1,773,454		Core B \$ 513,257	\$ 513,257	\$ -	\$ 513,257	\$ 6,457	\$ 506,800	1.26%	\$ 2,889	\$ 503,912	1.82%	\$ 318,619	\$ 185,293	63.90%
			Intensive \$ 154,993	\$ 154,993	\$ -	\$ 154,993	\$ 6,512	\$ 148,482	4.20%	\$ 2,672	\$ 145,810	5.93%	\$ 92,194	\$ 53,616	65.41%
			Training \$ 360,384	\$ 360,384	\$ -	\$ 360,384	\$ 28,877	\$ 331,507	8.01%	\$ 72,592	\$ 258,915	28.16%	\$ 163,709	\$ 95,205	73.58%
	\$ 1,773,454	\$ -	Total \$ 1,596,109	\$ 1,596,109	\$ -	\$ 1,596,109	\$ 42,374	\$ 1,553,735	2.65%	\$ 78,373	\$ 1,475,363	7.57%	\$ 932,857	\$ 542,505	66.01%
YOUTH			In School \$ 836,114	\$ 836,114	\$ (500,000)	\$ 336,114	\$ 77,008	\$ 259,106	22.91%	\$ 243,452	\$ 15,654	95.34%	\$ 9,898	\$ 5,756	98.29%
08/09 Allocation	\$ 1,858,030		Out of School \$ 836,114	\$ 836,114	\$ 500,000	\$ 1,336,114	\$ 503,758	\$ 832,356	37.70%	\$ 811,377	\$ 20,979	98.43%	\$ 13,265	\$ 7,715	99.42%
	\$ 1,858,030	\$ -	Total \$ 1,672,228	\$ 1,672,228	\$ -	\$ 1,672,228	\$ 580,765	\$ 1,091,463	34.73%	\$ 1,054,829	\$ 36,634	97.81%	\$ 23,163	\$ 13,471	99.19%
ADMINISTRATIVE			Total Admin \$ 456,402	\$ 456,402	\$ -	\$ 456,402	\$ 35,207	\$ 421,196	7.71%	\$ 15,801	\$ 405,395	11.18%	\$ 256,327	\$ 149,068	67.34%
All ARRA Grants	\$ 4,564,039	\$ -	Total \$ 4,564,039	\$ 4,564,039	\$ -	\$ 4,564,039	\$ 689,923	\$ 3,874,117	15.12%	\$ 1,236,127	\$ 2,637,990	42.20%	\$ 1,667,974	\$ 970,015	78.75%
RAPID RESPONSE/15%/25%			ARRA RR \$ 275,302	\$ 275,302	\$ -	\$ 275,302	\$ 1,988	\$ 273,313	0.72%	\$ 606	\$ 272,708	0.94%	\$ 172,431	\$ 100,277	63.58%
ARRA Rapid Response (106)	\$ 275,302		GRN JOBS \$ 937,890	\$ 937,890	\$ -	\$ 937,890	\$ 1,805	\$ 936,085	0.19%	\$ 585	\$ 935,500	0.25%	\$ 591,508	\$ 343,992	63.32%
ARRA Green Jobs 15% (120)	\$ 937,890		Total \$ 1,213,192	\$ 1,213,192	\$ -	\$ 1,213,192	\$ 3,793	\$ 1,209,399	0.31%	\$ 1,191	\$ 1,208,208	0.41%	\$ 763,939	\$ 444,269	63.38%
	\$ 1,213,192	\$ -													

BUDGET: Includes all Recovery Act funds available for life of grant, based on Plan to be submitted to EDD, revised in accordance with latest appropriations information received from Chief, Workforce Services Division, as required. Formula Administrative Funds lose their identity upon appropriation. Term of all cash codes is currently set at 06/30/2010.

In-School Youth 13.26%
Out-of-School Youth 86.74%

OBLIGATIONS: Includes funds obligated in contracts and ITA's. Does NOT include funds committed for operations.

COMMITTED: Includes projected staff personnel and overhead costs

AVAILABLE: Balance after expenditures and obligations

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Participant Report

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Information only.

DISCUSSION: Attached is a participant report for the time period July 2008 to June 2009, which reflects the number of participants enrolled and exited (and how they entered and exited the programs) within specific grant codes. Each year a modification to the Workforce Investment Board 5-Year Strategic Plan is submitted with projected participant numbers. The attached report is a comparison of the actual participant numbers with the projected numbers submitted in the yearly plan with 100% of the program year expended.

This report is a monthly “snapshot” of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) programs. Projections are a best-guess at the beginning of each program year. Numbers can vary, especially in a fluctuating economic environment. Of interest are somewhat low numbers in training for adult and dislocated workers compared to projections. There is another category row of non-WIA training and supportive services. This reflects enrolled participants in training that are subsidized with WIA funding that covers transportation, books, and other related fees. The money for the actual training component comes from other sources. The department helps a substantial number of participants in this category while not having to pay for the course itself.

**ATTACHMENT(S):
Participant Report**

WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - FORMULA GRANTS

PY 2008/09 - June 2009

Report Range 07/2008 to 06/2009

100.00% of Plan Year Expended

	Adult (201)			Dislocated Worker (501)		
	Actual	Planned	Per Cent	Actual	Planned	Per Cent
Total Participants	549	523	105.0%	202	208	97.1%
Participants Carried In	310	271	114.4%	69	70	98.6%
New Participants Entering Grant	239	252	94.8%	133	138	96.4%
Total Participants Exiting WI	307	318	96.5%	79	161	49.1%
Entered Unsubsidized Employment	193	299	64.5%	62	140	44.3%
Training Related	52	85	61.2%	3	53	5.7%
Other Exits*	24	19	126.3%	7	21	33.3%
Program Activities/Services Summary						
Core Services (Registered)	547	466	117.4%	202	135	149.6%
Intensive Services	313	216	144.9%	156	122	127.9%
Training Services**	48	110	43.6%	57	93	61.3%
Non-WIA Funded Services	190			27		
Supportive Services	271			98		

	Older Youth (301)				
	Older Youth	Younger Youth	Actual Total	Planned	Per Cent
Total Participants	163	352	515	490	105.1%
Participants Carried In	104	204	308	310	99.4%
New Participants Entering Grant	59	148	207	180	115.0%
Total Participants Exiting WI	38	68	106	102	103.9%
Entered Unsubsidized Employment	11	9	20	35	57.1%
Training Related	2	1	3	15	20.0%
Entered Post-Secondary Education	10	40	50	40	125.0%
Entered Advanced Training	3		3	7	42.9%
Attained High School Diploma/GED	3	40	43	55	78.2%
Other Exits	5	6	11	5	220.0%
Program Activities/Services Summary					
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)**		253	253		

*Other Exits includes Exit Code 02 "Remained With Layoff Employer" for Dislocated Workers.

**Training Services totals exclude Non-WIA Funded Training Services

***Goals Set is no longer a Participant Plan data point. Results listed for informational purposes only.

WIA PARTICIPANT SUMMARY REPORT - OTHER GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

PY 2008/09 - June 2009

Report Range 07/2008 to 06/2009

	Federal LVN Grant (907)	SJC Manufacturing (914)	WIA 15% CalGRIP (414)	CalGRIP Younger Youth (417)
Total Participants	85	19	16	24
Participants Carried In				
New Participants Entering Grant	85	19	16	24
Total Participants Exiting WI	36	16		
Entered Unsubsidized Employment	14	12		
Training Related	25	8		
Entered Military Service				
Entered Qualified Apprenticeship Program				
Entered Post-Secondary Education				
Entered Advanced Training				
Attained Recognized Certificate/Diploma/Degree	24	14		
Attained High School Diploma/GED				
Returned to Secondary School (Youth Only)				
Exits Excluded from Performance				
Other Exits	6	4		
Program Activities/Services Summary				
Core Services (Registered)	84	19		
Intensive Services	80	19	15	22
Training Services*		8		
Non-WIA Funded Services	79	10	2	
Supportive Services	85	19	5	1
Youth Services			14	24
Concurrent Program Participants	12	4	4	1
Individual Training Accounts				
Goals Set (Younger Youth Only)				

***Training Services totals exclude Non-WIA Funded Training Services**

WIA PARTICIPANT CHARACTERISTICS SUMMARY

Report Period: 7/2008 to 6/2009

FORMULA GRANTS

	ADULT		DISLOCATED WORKER		301 OLDER YOUTH		301 YOUNGER YOUTH		TOTAL (ALL GRANT CODES)	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total	549	100.0%	202	100.0%	176	100.0%	352	100.0%	1,279	100.0%
Female	387	70.5%	103	51.0%	103	58.5%	176	50.0%	769	60.1%
Male	162	29.5%	99	49.0%	73	41.5%	176	50.0%	510	39.9%
Age										
14-18	44	8.0%			18	10.2%	352	100.0%	414	32.4%
19-21	53	9.7%	5	2.5%	158	89.8%			216	16.9%
22-29	170	31.0%	29	14.4%					199	15.6%
30-44	194	35.3%	75	37.1%					269	21.0%
45-54	63	11.5%	60	29.7%					123	9.6%
55-61	21	3.8%	32	15.8%					53	4.1%
62-64	2	0.4%							2	0.2%
65 and over	2	0.4%	1	0.5%					3	0.2%
Race/Ethnicity										
American Indian / Alaskan Native	7	1.3%	2	1.0%	1	0.6%	5	1.4%	15	1.2%
Asian	53	9.7%	10	5.0%	13	7.4%	73	20.7%	149	11.6%
Black / African American	31	5.6%	6	3.0%	11	6.3%	25	7.1%	73	5.7%
Hawaiian Native/Other Pacific Islander	14	2.6%	3	1.5%	2	1.1%	1	0.3%	20	1.6%
White	220	40.1%	88	43.6%	20	11.4%	46	13.1%	374	29.2%
Ethnicity Hispanic or Latino	252	45.9%	100	49.5%	131	74.4%	217	61.6%	700	54.7%
Labor Force Status										
Employed	193	35.2%	6	3.0%	17	9.7%	5	1.4%	221	17.3%
Unemployed	356	64.8%	195	96.5%	159	90.3%	347	98.6%	1,057	82.6%
UI Claimant	49	8.9%	169	83.7%	5	2.8%	1	0.3%	224	17.5%
UI Exhaustee	18	3.3%	24	11.9%			1	0.3%	43	3.4%
Barriers to Employment										
Disabled	13	2.4%	1	0.5%	8	4.5%	28	8.0%	50	3.9%
Limited English Proficiency	4	0.7%	3	1.5%	7	4.0%	8	2.3%	22	1.7%
Single Parent	111	20.2%	26	12.9%	28	15.9%	14	4.0%	179	14.0%
Work Profiling Reempl. Services Referral	1	0.2%	15	7.4%	1	0.6%			17	1.3%
Low Income	353	64.3%	93	46.0%	158	89.8%	334	94.9%	938	73.3%
Displaced Homemaker										
Offender	10	1.8%	5	2.5%	19	10.8%	27	7.7%	61	4.8%
Homeless	2	0.4%	1	0.5%	6	3.4%	5	1.4%	14	1.1%
Runaway Youth					2	1.1%	5	1.4%	7	0.5%
Pregnant Parenting Youth					49	27.8%	26	7.4%	75	5.9%
Youth Needing Additional Assistance					176	100.0%	349	99.1%	525	41.0%
Basic Literacy Skills Deficient	91	16.6%	81	40.1%	151	85.8%	284	80.7%	607	47.5%
Substance Abuse	2	0.4%			6	3.4%	15	4.3%	23	1.8%
Foster Youth					3	1.7%	9	2.6%	12	0.9%

WIA PARTICIPANT CHARACTERISTICS SUMMARY

Report Period: 7/2008 to 6/2009

OTHER GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

	FEDERAL LVN GRANT (907)		SJC MANUFACTURING CONTRACT (914)		WIA 15% CALGRIP (414)		WIA 15% CALGRIP YOUNGER YOUTH (417)		TOTAL (ALL GRANT CODES)	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total	85	100.0%	19	100.0%	16	100.0%	24	100.0%	144	100.0%
Female	80	94.1%			7	43.8%	4	16.7%	91	63.2%
Male	5	5.9%	19	100.0%	9	56.3%	20	83.3%	53	36.8%
Age										
14-18					5	31.3%	24	100.0%	29	20.1%
19-21	2	2.4%	1	5.3%	9	56.3%			12	8.3%
22-29	39	45.9%	2	10.5%	2	12.5%			43	29.9%
30-44	32	37.6%	13	68.4%					45	31.3%
45-54	10	11.8%	2	10.5%					12	8.3%
55-61	2	2.4%	1	5.3%					3	2.1%
62-64										
65 and over										
Race/Ethnicity										
American Indian / Alaskan Native										
Asian	28	32.9%					1	4.2%	29	20.1%
Black / African American	5	5.9%			2	12.5%	4	16.7%	11	7.6%
Hawaiian Native/Other Pacific Islander	4	4.7%							4	2.8%
White	26	30.6%	7	36.8%	2	12.5%	1	4.2%	36	25.0%
Ethnicity Hispanic or Latino	27	31.8%	12	63.2%	12	75.0%	18	75.0%	69	47.9%
Labor Force Status										
Employed	63	74.1%			1	6.3%			64	44.4%
Unemployed	22	25.9%	19	100.0%	15	93.8%	24	100.0%	80	55.6%
UI Claimant			8	42.1%					8	5.6%
UI Exhaustee	1	1.2%							1	0.7%
Barriers to Employment										
Disabled	1	1.2%	1	5.3%	1	6.3%	1	4.2%	4	2.8%
Limited English Proficiency	1	1.2%					3	12.5%	4	2.8%
Single Parent	23	27.1%			5	31.3%	1	4.2%	29	20.1%
Work Profiling Reempl. Services Referral										
Low Income	36	42.4%	12	63.2%	16	100.0%	23	95.8%	87	60.4%
Displaced Homemaker										
Offender			5	26.3%	8	50.0%	22	91.7%	35	24.3%
Homeless			1	5.3%					1	0.7%
Runaway Youth							4	16.7%	4	2.8%
Pregnant Parenting Youth					7	43.8%	3	12.5%	10	6.9%
Youth Needing Additional Assistance					14	87.5%	23	95.8%	37	25.7%
Basic Literacy Skills Deficient	11	12.9%	4	21.1%	15	93.8%	19	79.2%	49	34.0%
Substance Abuse			1	5.3%			4	16.7%	5	3.5%
Foster Youth					1	6.3%			1	0.7%

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Enterprise Zone Manager

PROPOSED MOTION(S): None. Information only.

DISCUSSION: The Enterprise Zone Program targets economically distressed areas throughout California. Special State and local incentives encourage business investment and promote the creation of new jobs. The purpose of the program is to stimulate development by providing tax incentives to businesses and allow private sector market forces to revive the local economy.

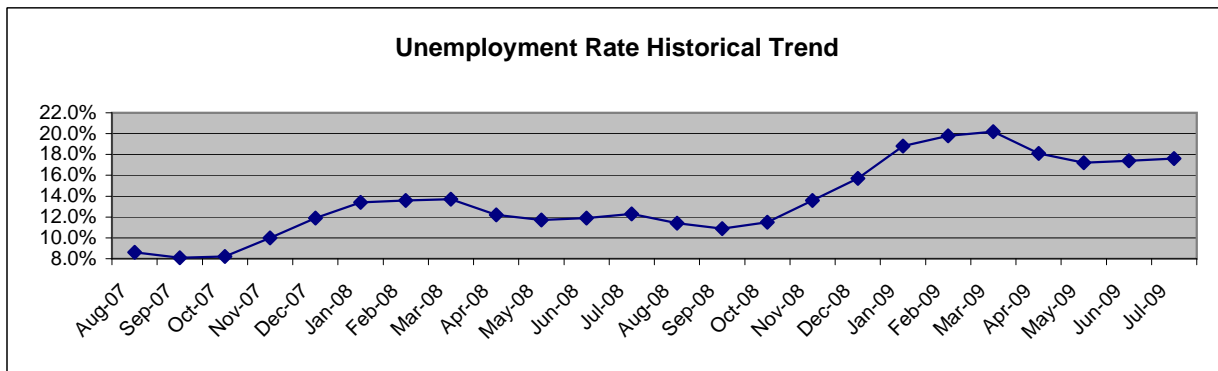
One August 13, 2009, the Department of Housing and Community Development sent a letter to Merced County Commerce Aviation and Economic Development stating the Cities of Atwater, Dos Palos, Gustine, Livingston, Los Banos, Merced and the County of Merced have satisfied all of the conditions required to obtain final designation for its conditional enterprise zone. As a result, the Dept of Housing has granted final designation to the Merced County Enterprise Zone (MCEZ), effective December 17, 2006.

On August 14, 2009, a letter signed by all seven of the above jurisdictions was sent to the Department of Housing And Community Development designating the Director of Merced County Department of Workforce Investment as the new Merced County Enterprise Zone (EZ) Manager. A working committee composed of all jurisdictions has agreed to participate in the ongoing process of implementing, reviewing and evaluating the EZ Marketing Plan and Strategy, Financing Plan, Job development Plan, Planning and Local Incentives and EZ Management to attain program goals. The total cost to the jurisdictions under the proposal is \$45,744.11, which will be paid to the Department of Workforce Investment.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A

IMMEDIATE RELEASE
 MERCED METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)
 (Merced County)

The unemployment rate in the Merced County was 17.6 percent in July 2009, up from a revised 17.4 percent in June 2009, and above the year-ago estimate of 12.3 percent. This compares with an unadjusted unemployment rate of 12.1 percent for California and 9.7 percent for the nation during the same period.



Industry	Jun-2009	Jul-2009	Change		Jul-2008	Jul-2009	Change
	Revised	Prelim				Prelim	
Total, All Industries	68,800	66,100	(2,700)		67,600	66,100	(1,500)
Total Farm	11,900	12,000	100		12,200	12,000	(200)
Total Nonfarm	56,900	54,100	(2,800)		55,400	54,100	(1,300)
Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,000	2,000	0		2,300	2,000	(300)
Manufacturing	9,100	9,300	200		9,700	9,300	(400)
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	10,900	10,800	(100)		11,600	10,800	(800)
Information	1,200	1,200	0		1,200	1,200	0
Financial Activities	1,700	1,700	0		1,700	1,700	0
Professional & Business Services	4,000	4,000	0		3,900	4,000	100
Educational & Health Services	5,500	5,500	0		5,600	5,500	(100)
Leisure & Hospitality	4,900	4,800	(100)		5,000	4,800	(200)
Other Services	1,400	1,400	0		1,400	1,400	0
Government	16,200	13,400	(2,800)		13,000	13,400	400

Notes: Data not adjusted for seasonality. Data may not add due to rounding
 Labor force data are revised month to month
 Additional data are available on line at www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov

Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Jul 08	May 09	Jun 09	Jul 09	Percent Change	
			Revised	Prelim	Month	Year
Civilian Labor Force (1)	101,200	105,500	107,500	105,300	-2.0%	4.1%
Civilian Employment	88,800	87,400	88,800	86,800	-2.3%	-2.3%
Civilian Unemployment	12,500	18,200	18,700	18,500	-1.1%	48.0%
Civilian Unemployment Rate (CA Unemployment Rate)	12.3%	17.2%	17.4%	17.6%		
(U.S. Unemployment Rate)	6.0%	9.1%	9.7%	9.7%		

Total, All Industries (2)	67,600	67,400	68,800	66,100	-3.9%	-2.2%
Total Farm	12,200	11,100	11,900	12,000	0.8%	-1.6%
Total Nonfarm	55,400	56,300	56,900	54,100	-4.9%	-2.3%
Total Private	42,400	40,400	40,700	40,700	0.0%	-4.0%
Goods Producing	12,000	10,900	11,100	11,300	1.8%	-5.8%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	2,300	1,900	2,000	2,000	0.0%	-13.0%
Mining and Logging	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Construction	2,300	1,900	2,000	2,000	0.0%	-13.0%
Manufacturing	9,700	9,000	9,100	9,300	2.2%	-4.1%
Durable Goods	1,900	1,700	1,700	1,700	0.0%	-10.5%
Nondurable Goods	7,800	7,300	7,400	7,600	2.7%	-2.6%
Service Providing	43,400	45,400	45,800	42,800	-6.6%	-1.4%
Private Service Producing	30,400	29,500	29,600	29,400	-0.7%	-3.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	11,600	10,900	10,900	10,800	-0.9%	-6.9%
Wholesale Trade	1,800	1,600	1,600	1,600	0.0%	-11.1%
Retail Trade	7,500	7,000	7,000	6,900	-1.4%	-8.0%
Food & Beverage Stores	1,500	1,600	1,600	1,600	0.0%	6.7%
General Merchandise Stores	2,000	1,800	1,800	1,800	0.0%	-10.0%
Residual-Miscellaneous Store Retailers	4,000	3,600	3,600	3,500	-2.8%	-12.5%
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	2,300	2,300	2,300	2,300	0.0%	0.0%
Information	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	0.0%	0.0%
Financial Activities	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	0.0%	0.0%
Finance & Insurance	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	0.0%	0.0%
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	600	600	600	600	0.0%	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	3,900	4,000	4,000	4,000	0.0%	2.6%
Educational & Health Services	5,600	5,500	5,500	5,500	0.0%	-1.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	5,000	4,800	4,900	4,800	-2.0%	-4.0%
Food Services & Drinking Places	4,300	4,100	4,100	4,000	-2.4%	-7.0%
Residual-Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	700	700	800	800	0.0%	14.3%
Other Services	1,400	1,400	1,400	1,400	0.0%	0.0%
Government	13,000	15,900	16,200	13,400	-17.3%	3.1%
Federal Government	800	800	800	800	0.0%	0.0%
State & Local Government	12,200	15,100	15,400	12,600	-18.2%	3.3%
State Government	1,600	1,600	1,700	1,600	-5.9%	0.0%
State Government Education	1,000	1,000	1,100	1,000	-9.1%	0.0%
Other State Government	600	600	600	600	0.0%	0.0%
Local Government	10,600	13,500	13,700	11,000	-19.7%	3.8%

Notes:

(1) Civilian labor force data are by place of residence; include self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, & workers on strike. Data may not add due to rounding. The unemployment rate is calculated using unrounded data.

(2) Industry employment is by place of work; excludes self-employed individuals, unpaid family workers, household domestic workers, & workers on strike. Data may not add due to rounding.

August 21, 2009
Employment Development Department
Labor Market Information Division
(916) 262-2162

Merced MSA
(Merced County)
Industry Employment & Labor Force
March 2008 Benchmark

Data Not Seasonally Adjusted

	Jul 08	May 09	Jun 09 Revised	Jul 09 Prelim	Percent Change Month Year
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Employment Development Department (EDD). Questions should be directed to:
Pedro Vargas 209/726-5424 or Liz Baker 209/941-6551

These data, as well as other labor market data, are available via the Internet
at <http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov>. If you need assistance, please call (916) 262-2162.

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TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/03/09

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Summer Youth Program

PROPOSED MOTION(S): For Information Only.

DISCUSSION: On August 19, 2009, participants in the Youth@Work Program (summer youth employment participants) were recognized at the Boys and Girls Club gymnasium. The Merced County Department of Workforce Investment provided summer employment opportunities to 560 youth, ages 18-24. Additionally, the Merced County Office of Education served 140 youth. Youth worked on average 20-32 hours per week for 6 weeks and were paid \$8.00 per hour.

The activities designed for youth encompassed the following:

- 1. Community projects throughout the County;**
- 2. Placement with both public and private employers;**
- 3. Job readiness, including green jobs informational and hands-on training.**

The targeted groups provided “priority of service” included:

- 1. Low income youth;**
- 2. Foster youth;**
- 3. Veterans; and**
- 4. Disabled youth.**

As emphasized by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), interested youth were provided exposure to green jobs (Merced College Green Jobs Exploration Course and Green Technologies in Automobile Basics Course). Two of the community projects exposed youth to the County’s Water and Water Treatment Authority. Youth in these projects installed water meters, learned the importance of water conservation, and learned about the computer systems related to water treatment processes.

As of August 19, 2009, 560 youth worked a total of 44,807 hours and earned \$409,067.00 in wages. The Community Project participants worked 55,364 hours. The total wages paid to participants in both the Department of Workforce Investment and the Merced County Office of Education is estimated to be \$1,159,923.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A