

**TO: Program Planning and Development
Committee**

DATE: 2/26/03

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Transportation Grant Application.

PROPOSED MOTION(S): For Information

DISCUSSION: The Merced County Department of Workforce Investment has applied for a grant from the Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA) to fund a demonstration project.

Project Summary:

Our proposed demonstration project will employ a transportation coordinator for 12 months who will be housed at our One-Stop location. The coordinator will work directly with our One-Stop partner agencies to carry out the following activities: 1) Conduct an analysis of existing transportation resources and gaps in service for One-Stop partner agencies, 2) Consolidate the findings of two existing local studies regarding the transportation needs of Merced County residents and the transportation resources available throughout the County; 3) Work directly with One-Stop partners to help them implement the recommendations of the studies; 4) Conduct analysis and develop a plan for a “transportation resource center” to be created for the One-Stop; 5) Conduct analysis and develop a plan for a transportation program that will facilitate the participation of rural and disadvantaged youth in community activities; and 6) Work with existing Department of Workforce Investment staff to identify possible funding sources for transportation resource center and rural youth transportation program.

Total CTAA Funds Requested: \$50,000

Total Local Funds Proposed: \$15,000

Total Project Cost: \$65,000

ATTACHMENT(S): None.