

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 3/09/06

FROM: Youth Council

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Implications for Action Update

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Information only.

DISCUSSION: The Workforce Investment Board's (WIB) Implications for Action, which were delineated in the State of the Workforce document, continue to advance. Most recently, the Economic Development implication was enhanced through a "Brown Bag" video presentation of Thomas L. Friedman's "The World is Flat". Representatives from the WIB, economic development, education, the Board of Supervisors and workforce development attended.

The Merced County Workforce Housing Taskforce continues to meet. They are presently researching the laws, regulations and practices concerning inclusionary housing. Their intent is to create a template to be used by Merced County cities to create inclusionary housing policies.

The Education implication is also active. Of note is an upcoming Central Valley Regional P-16 Conference to be held at UC Merced. The conference is scheduled for March 30, 2006, from 8:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m., at 5320 North Lake Road in Merced. The conference theme is "Linking Education to the Economic Future of the Central Valley". Presenters include Jack O'Connell, State Superintendent of Public Education; Herbert R. Fisher, Superintendent San Bernardino County Office of Education; and Mike Gallo, Chief Executive Officer, Kelly Space & Technology, San Bernardino.

You can register online at www.certicc.org/conferences/UCMercedConference.aspx.

ATTACHMENTS: N/A