

TO: Executive Committee

DATE: 6/3/02

FROM: WIB Staff

- For Action**
- For Information**
- Meeting Notes**

SUBJECT: Cancellation of the Building Trades Program

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Information

DISCUSSION: The Building Trades Program began in June, 2000. This program was a collaboration between Human Services Agency [HSA], PITD, Merced College and the Northern California Carpenters Union. HSA and PITD covered the majority of the costs. HSA paid for the College project coordinator, lease of the building, utilities, janitorial services, maintenance of the facility, tools, equipment, supplies and materials for their participants. PITD paid salary and benefits for the two Union instructors plus tools, equipment, supplies and materials for WIA participants.

Enrollments in the program have declined considerably, both for HSA and PITD participants. Discussions have taken place between the parties to determine if additional funding could be obtained to sustain the program. Neither the Carpenters Union or the College could provide additional funds.

Since enrollments have dropped, the program is no longer cost effective for HSA and PITD without additional funding from other sources. At a meeting on May 24, 2002, it was mutually agreed by the College, HSA and PITD that the program will terminate with the class graduating June 19, 2002.

ATTACHMENT(S):

