

TO: WIB

DATE: 07/08/04

FROM: WIB Staff

FOR ACTION

SUBJECT: Submission of Application to the California Workforce Investment Board's Innovative Transition Youth Grant

PROPOSED MOTION(S): To authorize the Department of Workforce Investment (WI) to prepare and submit the application that would commit a match of \$109,600 in-kind services over a five year period.

DISCUSSION: The California Workforce Investment Board (CWIB) has announced the availability of funds for improving transition outcomes for youth with disabilities. As a local One-Stop Operator, the Department of Workforce Investment (WI) is eligible to apply for these funds. WI will request \$548,000 (\$68,000 in year one of the grant, and 120,000 in years two through five). These dollars will fund a demonstration project to ensure that youth with disabilities can obtain the necessary services needed within the local workforce system. The grant will also pay for resource mapping of the target group of youth. Once services are in place, their efficacy will be evaluated, and information about the outcomes of services will be disseminated by the State to other Workforce Investment Areas.

The grant application must be submitted by July 16, 2004. The period of the grant is five (5) years, and notification of funding is expected in August 2004.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A