

TO: WIB

DATE: 07/08/04

FROM: Executive Committee

FOR ACTION

SUBJECT: Submission of Application from the Department of Workforce Investment (WI) to the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Continuum of Care Program

PROPOSED MOTION(S): To authorize the Department of Workforce Investment to prepare and submit the application that would commit a match of \$27,439 over thirty (30) months.

DISCUSSION: The Department of Housing and Urban Development's Continuum of Care (COC) program is designed to provide various types of assistance to homeless persons. The Merced County Association of Governments has been working at the request of the Board of Supervisors to create a Continuum of Care plan for the County that describes in detail how the County intends to address homelessness issues.

In conjunction with the COC plan, WI will submit a request for \$144,416 to provide paid work experience, supportive services and case management for up to 15 homeless individuals during the 30 month grant period. A commitment of match of \$27,439 is required. The match will be in the form of Title I funds and will be used for assessment, data collection, and other activities that would otherwise be provided by WI. These activities will be tracked separately as services to the homeless. Funding announcements are expected in October 2004.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A