

## **One-Stop Steering Committee Report**

The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 implemented the One-Stop System. Under WIA, the One-Stop would operate in partnership with local agencies to ensure that community resources were available for customers seeking employees, employment, and/or training. The Workforce Investment Board (WIB) and the Board of Supervisors (BOS) jointly govern the Merced County One-Stop System.

The Private Industry Training Department (PITD) was designated to be the One-Stop Operator by the WIB and BOS. The first step in developing the One-Stop System was to form a One-Stop Steering Committee to act as a liaison and reporting agent to the WIB regarding the operation of the One-Stop Centers in Merced County. The committee chair and the vice chair are elected by its members. The committee members consist of partnering agency representatives.

Since the implementation of WIA on July 1, 2000, the One-Stop Steering Committee has met on a monthly basis to develop the One-Stop System. The committee developed the name for the One-Stop System—"Worknet of Merced County". The One-Stop Steering Committee also formulated recommendations and goals that were incorporated into the Five-Year Plan and its most recent amendment.

The One-Stop Steering Committee continues to meet monthly and is addressing service delivery issues such as:

- Customer satisfaction information
- Training plans
- Content of workshops
- Continuous improvement plan
- Identifying and securing funding for additional One-Stop operations
- One-Stop marketing to community customers

The One-Stop Steering Committee has considered the possibility of establishing a consortium that would serve as the One-Stop Operator. After much discussion of the advantages/disadvantages and the financial liability to be part of a consortium, it was the consensus of the committee that at this time the One-Stop Operator role should remain with PITD. The committee will study the potential of a consortium for the future.

Attachments:

1. One-Stop Partners and Staffing List
2. Marketing Efforts
3. Worknet 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Tracking
4. One-Stop August 2001 Tracking