

TO: WIB Executive Committee

DATE: 09/29/03

FROM: Finance Committee

For Action (Possible)

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Jobs for California Graduates-Merced County, Inc. – Contract Oversight

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Information with Possible Action

DISCUSSION: Since April 1, 2002, Jobs for California Graduates- Merced County, Inc. has had a contract with Merced County to provide WIA services to out-of-school youth, ages 17-21. Beginning in May 2003, the Youth Council began looking into the contract performance of JCG. More recently, the contractor's fiscal performance was questioned by members of the Workforce Investment Board. On September 19, 2003, without any prior notification, JCG's Board of Directors dissolved the corporation, sold their assets the following day and ceased operations for Jobs for California Graduates – Merced County, Inc.

The attached JCG Events Log delineates actions taken by the Youth Council, the WIB, and staff prior to and after the dissolution.

The future focus in this matter should be on serving youth, re-establishing a sound out-of-school program, and improving internal processes.

ATTACHMENT(S): JCG Events Log