

TO: Youth Council

DATE: 01/27/10

FROM: Youth Council Staff

For Discussion

For Action

For Information

SUBJECT: Elevate America Program Presentation

PROPOSED MOTION(S): For Information Only

DISCUSSION: Elevate America is a national program in which the Microsoft Corporation will provide 1 million training vouchers to the states for no-cost access to Microsoft E-Learning courses and selected Microsoft Certification exams.

The Microsoft Corporation is entering into a voucher donation agreement with the California Employment Development Department (EDD) to provide citizens of California with 166,500 training vouchers. The EDD will make the vouchers available to the Local Workforce Investment Areas once announced by the Governor, which is anticipated to be in February 2010. All vouchers must be allocated to customers and activated by the customer within 90 days of program initiation. The Department of Workforce Investment will receive a total of 2,250 vouchers.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A