

**TO: Youth Council**

**DATE: 02/13/08**

**FROM: Youth Council Staff**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: City of Merced Taskforce Uses Youth Resource Directory Link**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): For Information Only.**

**DISCUSSION: The City of Merced Community Violence Intervention and Prevention Task Force consists of local agencies, individuals, faith-based, and community organizations working collaboratively to reduce violence in our community. Their vision is for the Com-VIP Task Force to provide leadership in prevention of violence, intervention and enforcement to help our community become a safer place for all.**

**In order to accomplish our vision, Merced Com-VIP will:**

- **Educate the community about violence and gang awareness**
- **Help people create and continue constructive behavior**
- **Assist families with parenting and other skills for character development**
- **Provide information and resources for intervention and prevention**
- **Encourage community wide ownership of this effort**

**Merced Com-VIP has added the Youth Resource Directory as a link on their homepage. You can view the webpage at: <http://www.mercedcomvip.org/index.html>.**

**ATTACHMENT(S): N/A**