

**TO: Youth Council**

**Date: 3/8/02**

**FROM: Operations Committee**

**For Action**  
 **For Information**  
 **Meeting Notes**

**SUBJECT: Request for Funds - Merced College (Westside)**

**PROPOSED MOTION:**

**That the Youth Council approve a request for funds from Merced College, Los Banos campus and forward that decision to the Workforce Investment Board for approval.**

**DISCUSSION:**

**Merced College hopes to establish an electronics program that can offer at least the first two levels of the CISCO certification program, as well as a variety of other electronics courses in demand by local and regional industry. Timelines for the project include offering additional classes in the fall of 2002, ordering equipment in the spring of 2002, and remodeling a classroom in the summer of 2002. The request is for \$66,000 and will be used to purchase equipment for the lab.**

**This request for funds was previously considered by both the Operations Committee and the Youth Council. A decision was delayed to enable members to hear a future presentation concerning CISCO enrollments and job projections. That presentation will be made today.**

**The Youth Council has approximately \$105,000 in its budget to support this request.**

**ATTACHMENTS: Application for Youth Council Assistance**