

TO: Youth Council

DATE: March 12, 2003

FROM: Planning & Quality Assurance Committee

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Needs Assessment Survey and Analysis

PROPOSED MOTION(S): Accept the Executive Summary of the second Youth Needs Assessment Survey.

DISCUSSION: The Merced County Youth Council's Planning & Quality Assurance Committee conducted a second youth needs assessment survey of 'at-risk' Merced County youth between the ages of 14 and 18 during January and February 2002. The survey was conducted over the internet. Over 870 high school age students from six county high school took the survey. The survey results generally mirrored the original youth needs assessment survey administered to summer school youth.

The survey results should be incorporated into the Youth Council's efforts to accurately map county assets and to further identify gaps in the youth delivery system.

ATTACHMENT(S): Executive Summary will be available at the meeting.