

**TO: Youth Council**

**DATE: March 12, 2003**

**FROM: Youth Council Staff**

**For Action**

**For Information**

**For Discussion**

**SUBJECT: Civic Entrepreneur Program**

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

**DISCUSSION: The Civic Entrepreneur Program is designed for youth, ages 17 to 21, and is part of the Youth Employment and Education Program. It is presented by the Merced County Community Action Agency. The program is designed to help students become owners of their community, not owners of businesses. The curriculum includes Life Skills, Job Skills, Civic Involvement, and a mini look at Entrepreneurship.**

**Unfortunately, many misunderstand and believe this course is designed to make business owners of its students. It is felt that the name of the course, Civic Entrepreneur Program, has lead to the misunderstanding. The Community Action Agency, 724-2170, is actively soliciting suggestions for the program name to connote its true function.**

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