

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Bob Buster

SUBMITTAL DATE: December 1, 2011

SUBJECT: White House Jobs Summit & U.S. Minority Business Development Agency partnership

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors directs:

1. That the Economic Development Agency, under the direction of the Assistant County Executive Officer-EDA or the Managing Director of EDA will lend its support and assistance to the White House for a proposed White House Jobs Summit in the Inland Empire on January 30, 2012 and expend EDA funds as necessary or needed
2. That the Assistant County Executive Officer –EDA, Managing Director-EDA and or the County Foreign Trade Commissioner develop and execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the United States Minority Business Development Agency Business Center for the purposes of becoming strategic partners with a focus on new job creation

BACKGROUND:

On October 18, 2011, Item 3.1 on the Board of Supervisors policy calendar, "Job Creation & business development in the County of Riverside" gained unanimous approval by the Board. On November 30, 2011 representatives from the United States Minority Business Development Business Center met with staff members from Districts 1, 2, and the EDA Office of Foreign Trade to discuss development of a Memorandum of Understanding. Additionally, the representatives informed staff that the White House plans a job summit in the Inland Empire on January 30, 2012. County staff offered to host such a meeting. Hosting a White House Jobs Summit in the Inland Empire or in Riverside County is considered an honor. The lead agency for this proposed summit is the United States Minority Business Development Agency. National focus on reducing unemployment within Riverside County is positive and may lead to job creation for our residents. It should be noted that this federal agency will assist all segments of the business community regardless of race, creed, or color.

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