

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

948



FROM: Economic Development Agency

SUBMITTAL DATE:

May 23, 2012

SUBJECT: Workforce Investment Board's Voices for Youth Committee

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors approve Workforce Investment Act funds not to exceed \$20,000 to support the Workforce Investment Board's Voices for Youth advocacy trips to Sacramento and Washington D. C.

BACKGROUND: The Workforce Investment Board (WIB) has established a Youth Advocacy Committee - Voices for Youth to assist the WIB with achieving its public outreach and advocacy goals as outlined in its Strategic Plan. The Committee is comprised of 39 youths from the Youth Opportunity Centers. These young adults participated in Leadership Development and Advocacy Training during 2011. The training consisted of public speaking, leadership awareness, advocacy, legislative process, community awareness, community service and more. The Committee has presented their testimonies to a variety of councils and boards. These youth are now ready to travel to Sacramento and Washington D.C. to meet with legislators.

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Robert Field

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Assistant County Executive Officer/EDA

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 20,000	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	2011/12

COMPANION ITEM ON BOARD AGENDA: No

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Federal Workforce Investment Act funds

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY: *Jennifer L. Sargent*

County Executive Office Signature

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Dep't Recomm.:
 Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.:

District: All

Agenda Number:

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FISCAL PROCEDURES APPROVED
 PAUL ANGULO, CPA, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
 DATE: 5/23/12
 BY: Samuel Wong
 Departmental C-SAMUELE WONG
 FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
 BY: Annie T. Sahhar
 DATE: 5/23/12

BACKGROUND: (Continued)

The purpose of these trips are to discuss with federal and state legislators the positive impact WIA youth programs have in the lives of Riverside County youth who may not be able to create a productive future on their own. Their message provides their perspective on the importance of comprehensive workforce development programs specialized to meet their needs. The Committee will address three key areas on behalf of all Riverside County young adults. Their areas of focus are providing more opportunities for all youths with regard to:

- Education
- Jobs
- Support to achieve their hopes and dreams.
- The need for more youth centers with broader reach.
- The need for more resources and political support.

On February 15, 2012, the WIB Executive Committee approved funding to support their advocacy trips to Sacramento and Washington, D.C. The budget for Sacramento includes three youth representatives from each supervisorial district to equal a total of fifteen youths. The budget for Washington D.C. includes a youth representative from each supervisorial district for a total of five youths. Each trip includes funding for three WIB members and staff to accompany the committee members. The estimated costs for both trips are as follows:

Sacramento Estimated Trip Budget	
Airfare	\$ 4,950
Hotel	\$ 2,250
Meals	\$ 900
Total Cost	\$ 8,100

Washington DC Estimated Trip Budget	
Airfare	\$ 4,800
Hotel	\$ 4,500
Meals	\$ 1,600
Ground Transportation	\$ 1,000
Total Cost	\$11,900

Grand Total	\$20,000
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