

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 11/18/10

FROM: WIB Staff

For Discussion

For Action

For Information

SUBJECT: YouthBuild Application (SGA-DFA PY 10-01)

PROPOSED MOTION(S): For Information Only.

DISCUSSION: On October 25, 2010, the Department of Labor announced a notice of solicitation for grant applications for the YouthBuild grant. The grant provides low-income disadvantaged youth (ages 16 – 24) with education and employment skills necessary to achieve economic self-sufficiency in high demand occupations with post secondary education and training, opportunities for meaningful work and service to the communities, and opportunities to develop employment and leadership skills. The YouthBuild program allows grantees to tap the energies and talents of disadvantaged youth allowing them to increase the supply of permanent affordable housing for homeless individuals and low-income families while achieving the occupational skills needed to succeed in today’s global economy. This is a great opportunity for agencies to work together with their local workforce investment boards, school district(s), or other agencies to provide services to the youth in their community.

The WI staff have discussed with the collaborative partners, the possibility and commitment for submitting the application by the due date December 3, 2010. Opinion was unanimous to move forward in the submission of an application for this grant that could provide our community up to \$1.1M to serve approximately sixty-five (65) low-income disadvantaged youth.

ATTACHMENT(S): None