COUNCIL FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



ACTION ITEM: 1.5 SUBMITTAL DATE: January 18, 2012

SUBJECT: Appointment of members to the Council for Youth Development.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) Executive Committee approve the appointments of Lyn Garcia and Josiah Bruny.

BACKGROUND:

Lyn Garcia is the Community Programs Manager at Community Action Partnership (CAP); overseeing the CAP youth programs throughout Riverside County. Lyn is also the Coordinator of the Riverside County Mentor's Collaborative.

Lyn was previously a self-employed vocational counselor focused on assisting young adults with disabilities. She is a former member of the Inland Valley Employers Advisory Council through California's Employee Development Department and previously served the unincorporated community of Woodcrest (Riverside), District 1 under Supervisor Bob Buster, as: Chair of the Woodcrest Municipal Advisory Council; Chair of the Woodcrest Community of Interest District; and, Chair of Woodcrest Resident's Association; focused on preserving rural living. In addition, Lyn served 3 years on the Commission for Women, District I, County of Riverside, and gave 15 years of volunteer support service to incarcerated women at CIW with organizations such as Match-2 and Friends Outside.

Josiah Bruny is CEO and Founder of Music Changing Lives, a non-profit organization focused on reducing our communities' dropout rates through incentive programs that teach music, art fashion, and business skills. His vision is to build new-age community centers where youth can come to learn what it takes to compete in the entertainment industry and how to own their creations. He plans to give hope to the youth of today to become the leaders of tomorrow. Prior to his current position, he created and led the Independent Record label Higher Ground Records LLC one of the leading underground companies in Southern California.

He was recently been honored with a Proclamation for Notable Achievements in the Redlands Community Center, and he has been offered three more center locations to renovate and set up his result driven after school programs. Next year, he will service more than 12,000 students between the San Bernardino and Riverside counties with his after school programs.

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Date: October 26, 2011

Approval: Yes

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Date: January 18, 2012 Approval: Yes/No BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONCURRENCE REQUIRED:

Yes/No