

COUNCIL FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



ITEM: # 1.2

SUBMITTAL DATE: January 20, 2010

SUBJECT: Appointment of Three Members to the Council for Youth Development

RECOMMENDATION: That the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) Executive Committee approve the appointments of Carrie Harmon, Paula Payne, and Guillermo Henry.

Carrie Harmon is a Senior Development Specialist who oversees resident service programs including supportive housing for special needs populations at the Riverside County Housing Authority. She has over nine years experience in housing services including three years as a Program Specialist with the Department of Public Social Services Homeless Programs Unit. Ms. Harmon’s focus is on homeless programs with an emphasis on expanding affordable housing opportunities for at risk populations, which include: youth aging out of foster care; individuals and families affected by HIV; low-income veterans; mentally ill individuals; and the disabled.

Paula Payne is a parent who plays an active part in her children's education. She volunteered as a teacher’s helper while her children were in elementary school and held the position of PTA president. Ms. Payne’s daughter enrolled at the Oasis Perris Youth Opportunity Center (YOC) to obtain her diploma and gain job-search skills. Paula’s daughter will be graduating in January 2010, thanks to the Oasis YOC. Oasis teachers and counselors never gave up on her daughter and changed her life from having no direction to wanting to become a children's advocate in social services. Ms. Payne’s voice was recently heard and openly appreciated at the Western Regional Committee meeting held in September. Paula wants to be a part of improving the lives of children in our community and would appreciate the opportunity to fill such a rewarding position.

Guillermo Henry is the Regional Manager for both the Training and the Independent Living Regions in the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) for the County of Riverside. He has been with DPSS for more than 15 years, starting his career as a line social worker responding to reports of suspected abuse and neglect. Guillermo has progressively moved into more responsible roles within DPSS. His other positions have included line supervisor, administrative services manager, head of the unit responsible for the Child Welfare Services/Case Management System (CWS/CMS) and Regional Manager for the Central Intake Center. Guillermo is able to contribute his 15+ years of experience in Child Welfare Services. He will also provide insight from the Department of Public Social Services and Independent Living Program prospective.

COUNCIL FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT Date: January 20, 2010 Approval: Yes/No	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Date: February 17, 2010 Approval: Yes/No	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONCURRENCE REQUIRED: <p style="text-align: center;">No</p>
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