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Summer Youth Employment Program

Since 2006, the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) administered by the Department of Community and Senior Services (CSS) has provided employment opportunities for over 35,000 youth. The fiscal year 2012-13 Recommended Budget reflects the elimination of \$3.5 million in one-time funding appropriated last year to partially fund the SYEP.

Last year, the County of Los Angeles' investment of \$3.5 million for the SYEP resulted in the employment of approximately 2,600 individuals. Recognizing the importance of employment opportunities for youth and the societal impacts of youth who are unemployed, the County of Los Angeles should explore opportunities to continue programs that effectively invest in the development of young people.

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WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Instruct the Chief Executive Officer and the Director of Community and Senior Services to identify at least \$3.5 million in potential funding sources, including state and/or federal resources, to continue the Summer Youth Employment Program and report back during the Board's Budget Deliberations in June 2012.

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