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WIB Holds Annual Meeting October 12

Annual report cites more than 30,000 jobseekers served

Visalia, CA — The Workforce Investment Board of Tulare County (WIB) will hold its Annual Meeting on Wednesday, October 12, 7:30 AM, at the Visalia Convention Center, 303 E. Acequia, in Visalia.

The WIB will present its 2011 Annual Report at the meeting. Among other accomplishments, the report cites 51,468 distinct visits to the WIB's employment website, www.employmentconnect.org, and 30,155 individuals receiving employment services, between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011.

"We are pleased to report that an enormous number of clients were served during this time," said Adam Peck, Executive Director of the WIB. "Throughout this recovery, we've been able to maximize results with fewer resources."

The website, redesigned last year, allows jobseekers to conduct more expansive job searches and access more training and educational information. Businesses in need of employees can also log on and search through the more than 2,500 individual resumes on the site.

Keynote speaker for this year's event will be Bill Watkins, PhD, Director of the Center for Economic Research and Forecasting at California Lutheran University. Dr. Watkins has been presenting economic forecasts for 15 years, and was previously an economist with the Federal Reserve Bank.

"As an economist, Bill is well-known for both the accuracy and candor of his analysis, which is why he's often seen on cable news channels," Peck said.

There are some seats still available for the event, and tickets are \$40 per person. Attendees can register online by logging on to www.tularewib.org. For more information, call the WIB at 713.5200, or email info@tularewib.org.

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