



Fresno County Economic Opportunities Commission

# Media Advisory

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## **EOC BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPOINTS NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

*-Brian Angus comes to Fresno County EOC with 38 years of Community Action experience-*

**(Fresno, CA)** Fresno County Economic Opportunities Commission's (EOC) Board of Commissioners is pleased to announce Brian Angus as the newly appointed Executive Director. Mr. Angus brings with him 38 years of experience in Community Action and is set to begin his new role with EOC on August 9, 2010.

"After much thoughtful consideration, we feel confident that Mr. Angus is the right person to lead Fresno County EOC," says Vongsavanh Mouanoutoua, EOC Board Chair. "His leadership experience and passion for Community Action make Mr. Angus the ideal candidate to move us forward."

Mr. Angus has dedicated his entire professional life to empowering the poor and disenfranchised through a variety of leadership roles in Community Action Agencies, primarily in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, whose heavy manufacturing base steadily declined as factories began leaving in the 1960s. In the last 10 years, Mr. Angus has transformed two significantly challenged community action agencies in Northern Kentucky and Annapolis, Maryland. Most recently, as Chief Executive Officer for the Anne Arundel County Economic Opportunity Committee in Maryland, he strengthened agency governance and finance, restructured its energy department, and modernized its Head Start program. Driven to make a difference, Mr. Angus looks forward to joining Fresno County EOC, one of the largest, most respected Community Action Agencies in the country.

"I grew up in an economically depressed mill town in Massachusetts and was the first in my family, and the only neighborhood kid, to graduate from college," says Mr. Angus. "Community Action programs, like EOC, helped me understand the value of an education, a good job, and the importance of helping people help themselves and their community."

"The opportunity to work with the Board and staff of Fresno County EOC, lead the agency and community in addressing and reducing poverty, while helping individuals and families become self sufficient and involved citizens, will be challenging and exciting," adds Mr. Angus.

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### **About Fresno County Economic Opportunities Commission (EOC)**

For over 44 years, Fresno County EOC – a private, nonprofit agency – has helped low-income Fresno County residents become self-sufficient. EOC offers over 30 comprehensive community-based programs that develop an individual's capabilities and places them on the path toward financial independence.

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