

The ROAD MAP PROJECT
Supported by CCER

From Cradle to College and Career

Opportunity Youth Work Group
July 9, 2014

Agenda for July 9, 2014	
2:30 – 2:45	Welcome and updates
2:45 – 3:10	Draft action plan: Walk-through and overall reactions
3:10 – 3:35	Draft action plan: Refinement breakouts
3:35 – 3:50	Vetting the draft action plan
3:50 – 4:20	Strategy discussions
4:20 – 4:30	Closing



Since our last meeting...

Work group related:


- Action plan drafted!
- Sub-group met to refine the draft
- Sub-group met to discuss vetting the plan
- Feedback from the King County Youth Advisory Council and SOAR Pieces Conference

Other exciting developments:

- Faith leader convening
- Puget Sound Compact signed
- Reconnecting Youth demonstration project launched
- Highline Schools Open Doors plan approved by OSPI



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Colleges:

- *We will adopt and expand access to effective strategies promoting the persistence of recent high school graduates **and reengaged youth ages 16-24**, including mandatory orientation and advising for first-time college students.*

Districts & Colleges:

- *We will support the development and implementation of reengagement programming for opportunity youth (16-24 year olds who are not connected to school or work) that links and integrates high school completion with postsecondary education.*





Expanding Alternative Pathways

Two new **Connection Centers**, located at north and south alternative campuses (Salmon Creek & Woodside), will be walk-in offices ready to accept self, school or district referred students and families who are seeking an alternative plan to continue and complete their education with Highline Public Schools.



Salmon Creek
North Campus

Students can begin receiving instructional and counseling support immediately on an interim basis, and can be referred to a number of options, including:

- New Start High School
- Career Link, South Seattle College
- Gateway to College, Highline Community College
- ELL High School Completion Pilot, Highline Community College
- GEDplus, Southwest Youth and Family Services



Woodside
South Campus

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Purpose and Goal of Demonstration Project

United Way is partnering with Renton Technical College, King County's Employment and Education Resources (EER) group, PSESD and CCER to implement a demonstration project to take EER's model for reconnecting youth to scale.

The model is focused on providing integrated case management, instruction, social and employment supports, and college navigation.

Timeline:

- RFP for CBO participation released June 17
- Applications due July 7
- Awardees notified by August 5

Building a Regional System to Reconnect Opportunity Youth

Draft Action Plan

1. Brief intro/call to action/positioning of the plan
2. Summary of what we know about our opportunity youth
3. Summary of the current re-engagement landscape
4. Summary of what we know about effective practice
5. Brief description of our process, who we are, focus of the plan
6. Logic model
7. Plan goals, strategies and activities



Draft Action Plan – Refinement Breakouts

1. Whether/how to incorporate a concrete and positive vision of a regional system into the plan (Israel)
2. Logic model: Feedback on interim outcomes & indicators (Alessandra)



Vetting the Draft Plan

Goals:

- Make sure the direction we are moving in and the plan make sense
- Keep learning about the issues and needs
- Build awareness about these issues and this work
- Recruit individuals/orgs that will be important to implementation



Vetting the Draft Plan

Guiding Questions (will vary based on audience, format):

- What do you make of what we are learning about opportunity youth and the current re-engagement landscape? (What surprises you, what resonates, what questions do you still have?)
- What are your priorities as we embark on this work as a region?
- What feedback do you have on the draft action plan?

Possible Materials to share/get feedback on:

- Data on opportunity youth (focus group findings, more stats)
- Info on current landscape (directory, map, findings from scan)
- Draft plan itself
- Draft shared re-engagement framework
- To-be-created, boiled down plan



Feedback (from beyond work group)

Theme	Who gave it?	Has it influenced the plan? How?
Many opportunity youth need to work – integrate employment training/work experiences into education pathways	Youth	Yes. Explicit activity around ensuring programs include career awareness and work experience
Youth rely on and trust their peers when it comes to deciding to participate	Youth	Yes. Whole outreach strategy was modified to be youth-led (rather than role of youth appearing at the activity level).



Upcoming Opportunities

- Project Coordination Meeting – July 16
- RMP Community Network – July 17
- KC Youth Development Network – July 17
- S. King district truancy (Becca) liaisons – July 22
- Sub-set of faith leaders group – July
- Suburban King CCG – September 23
- Road Map Sponsor Group – Sept. 30
- *How can you help??*



Strategy Sessions

1. Open Doors Advocacy (Israel)
2. High quality case management (Nicole)
3. Piloting peer outreach/advocacy strategies (Roslyn)



Next Steps

- August meeting to review feedback
- Individual meetings or calls to talk about your interest in next steps
- Transition to advisory group
- Convene provider network
- Convene ad-hoc strategy teams (may involve existing groups) to tackle specific strategies

