

dEast County One Stop Board of Directors Meeting
August 26 9 AM to 11 AM

Host: Portland Habilitation

Participants: Heather Selek – PHC, Lani Staab – Goodwill Industries Job Connection, Donna Patrick – Springdale Job Corps, Sheri Luru and Laura Bock – JDN, Sherrie Smith and Danielle – Community Energy Project, Juan Serantos – Human Solutions, Carolyn Morrison – CCDS, Karen Hubbard – Linfield School of Nursing, Joan Pasco, ECOS Project Manager.

Partner updates and reports:

Goodwill Industry – Job Connections: Lani found a new on-line resource – www.parenthelp123.org - that is a great resource for health care insurance options.

Portland Habilitation Center: They are changing how they implement their janitorial training program with new and improved internal changes that will shorten the wait time and have increase the training rate to \$8.40 per hour. Also, they have two open staff positions.

Linfield School of Nursing: Students are working on two community projects: the Adopt a Grandparent project with ECOS and the Center for Advanced Learning; and a medication management program with the Hollywood Senior Center.

Springdale Job Corps: The Federal RFP process has ended and a new contractor has been awarded the contract for their program. The transition will begin on October 1. It is the organization they hoped would prevail, so they don't anticipate too many changes. The general manager for the Trailblazers was on site and is arranging for free tickets for students to attend a game this winter. Dave from Dave's Killer Bread also visited students on campus and provided motivational support as he told his success story as a formerly incarcerated person who was able to turn his life around and become a successful business person. 20 students graduated on August 20th, Dr. Ski MHCC President gave the graduation address. Upcoming events: Networking meeting with partners – 9 to 11 on Sept. 17th, Community Health Fair – Sept. 18th – 10 to 3. They are seeking an instructor for their Certified Nurse Assistant program.

Human Solutions: They were awarded stimulus funds for a new job-training program called: Solutions for Prosperity Employment Program. They hope to enroll close to 110 people and find jobs for at least 80% of those enrolled. Criteria include: must be over 18 years of age, a resident of Multnomah County and meet low-income guide lines, They have hired three new employment specialists and have an opening for a program assistant. The stimulus funding also provides rent and housing assistance, job readiness and case management, and enrollment in Worksource Oregon training programs.

Community Energy Project: Sherrie introduced Danielle an Americorp/Vista intern who will be taking over the responsibility of volunteer training and coordination. This will free Sherrie up to manage the retail store and on-line sales. As this is the start of their

new fiscal year, funds are again available for all workshop and training activity. They also are considering a special event to celebrate their 30-year anniversary.

Child Care Development Services: Their program continues to grow. Many people who have lost jobs are now opening in-home day care centers; also more spouses have had to return to work, increasing the number of children needing day care. CCDS will be honored at a banquet in September as one of Oregon Business Magazines “Best Non-profits to Work For.” The annual Holiday fund-raiser “Our Children’s Store” will not be open this year, but CCDS has picked up the “Gift Basket” portion of that fund raiser.

The Board approved the minutes from the July 22nd, 2009 meeting

Project reports

SCSEP and PWI– collaboration with Easter Seals – Catherine Todd is on vacation and could not be at this meeting.

Job Developers Network: JDN – Laura Bock announced the following events and encouraged everyone to get registered to participate:

October 6 – 1 to 4 PM - Diversity Resource and Job Fair in conjunction with the Business Connect Expo at the Oregon Convention Center. Limited to 50 tables; \$99 per table.

Priority will be given to ECOS partners that get their registration in early.

Oct. 15 - Community Connections event: 4:30 to 7:30 Doubletree Hotel – Lloyd Center. Project will benefit the Hire Oregon Vets program. This is a free event for persons with disabilities and their families. The City of Portland will present their “Making a Difference” awards during the program.

March 16, 2010 – Diversity Leadership Training Conference.

JDN is now a co-host of the Marylhurst University Monday Job Clubs.

Complete information on all JDN events can be accessed at:

www.jobdevelopersnetwork.org

Adopt a Grandparent project – Joan and Karen – The Center for Advanced Learning is going forward with this program in spite of not being funded by United Way. It will be a scaled back pilot program with input from their Allied Health, Techni-Media and Re-Engineerig students. Joan and Karen, with volunteer support from Karen’s retired engineer husband, Gordon, will provide support to the program. ECOS will secure 15 older adults to participate and will track the student volunteer hours. The Verizon Foundation has been approached with a \$10,000 request to support the project.

ROAR – Anne O’Malley and Doug Cooper – Neither were able to attend. Joan informed the board that the new Re-entry One Stop Resource Center was open. She also stated that the cost of setting aside arrests and convictions (expungements) has been raised from \$80 to \$180. Also, it is practically impossible to totally clear this information from electronic files and may continue to pose a problem for job seekers – even after a successful expungement. They need to be advised about this and how to handle it during the interview process.

Budget/finance report – refer to finance report – attached, separate excel doc.
2009 ECOS partner contributions are now being solicited –your support is needed to cover the 501 c3 obligations for our organization. There are certain expenses that cannot be covered from grant funded projects. Thank you all for your support with this.

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED TO DATE: MANY THANKS!!

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HUMAN SOLUTIONS
LINFIELD SCHOOL OF NURSING
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Pending grants:

- 1.) Working with Parkrose High School on a community volunteer project
- 2.) In concept phase: Property management and home repair training program to also provide in home services to seniors
- 3.) Verizon Foundation: \$10,000 to fund a clearinghouse to track CAL student volunteer hours.

Finance meeting: September 16 – 11:30 at Ya Hala

NEXT BOARD MEETING: 9 AM on September 23rd – Human Solutions – 12235 SE Powell, main office.