July 22, 2009

Notes from Brownfields PLC session #6

Session leader: Open discussion

Topic: Labor market assessment, annual grantee meeting

## **Session 6 Participants**

| Mike    | Senew        | HMTRI/ATEEC                            |
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| Richard | Mabion       | Building A Sustainable Earth Community |
| Paula   | Paris        | JFY Networks                           |
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| Betsy   | McGovern     | Tulare Redevelopment Agency            |
| Lynn    | Logo-Keepers | New Jersey Youth Corps                 |
| George  | Paffendorf   | New Jersey Youth Corps                 |

## **NOTES FROM SESSION 6**

Discussion during the sixth meeting started with a recap of labor market efforts undertaken by JFY. Discussion shifted to the annual Brownfields job training workshop in Alexandria, VA August 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Details and registration materials have been sent to each member. Members of the PLC felt it would be helpful to add a session addressing grant issues, limitations, and requirements.

Issues confronting job training programs include:

- 1. The need to turn over placement of trainees to Labor while keeping the responsibility for tracking.
- 2. The extensive amount of life skills and supplemental training required to bring participants "up to speed".
- 3. The short duration of funding cycles and the time required to become a sustainable training organization.

Before the Annual Grantee meeting, the PLC will be constructing a list of issues and talking points related to requirements and implementation of successful training and placement programs. If you would like to construct your personal set of talking points and issues please share them with the group.

Post meeting contributions by others are appreciated. Please copy to all PLC members. Thanks

The next PLC session 7 will begin at 1:00 pm Central on Wednesday July 29th.

Session leader: Open discussion

Topic – Certifications, Training accreditation. R,R & P Requirements

If you were unable to participate in session 6, you can replay it by dialing (712) 432-1088. Use access code 550105 followed by #. \*1 will rewind 30 seconds and \*2 will forward 30 seconds.

If you would like to invite a guest you feel would benefit from participation in our Professional Learning Community, feel free to pass this email onto them. We ask new participants to call in 5 minutes before the session begins for a brief orientation.