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Professional Development for Youth Service Providers

Youth Council: Greater Long Beach WIB Youth Council

Element: Comprehensive Approach

Function: Coordinating Youth Services

Subject: Staff Development

The Practice and Evidence: The City of Long Beach Youth Council has developed workshops for community service providers designed to improve their skills in grant writing, budgeting, responding to an RFP, and youth development services. While this practice provides a valuable community service, it also helps to promote awareness of the vision and objectives of the Youth Council. The sessions enable service providers to strengthen their ability to partner with the system and share relevant, high quality programs.

As a result of the workshops, new service providers responded as applicants to the RFP issued by the Council. The new bidders included faith-based organizations, typically in need of orientation and experience with WIA processes. The providers who attended came to understand what is expected by the Youth Council, and how they could best tailor their services to support Council needs.

The Details: The sessions are offered every month during the intensive times of RFP bidding and the summer months, and every other month during slower periods.

Where to Go for More Information

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