

AB 1111

Breaking Barriers to Employment Initiative

Peer Learning Community

**A Monthly Systems Building
Convening**

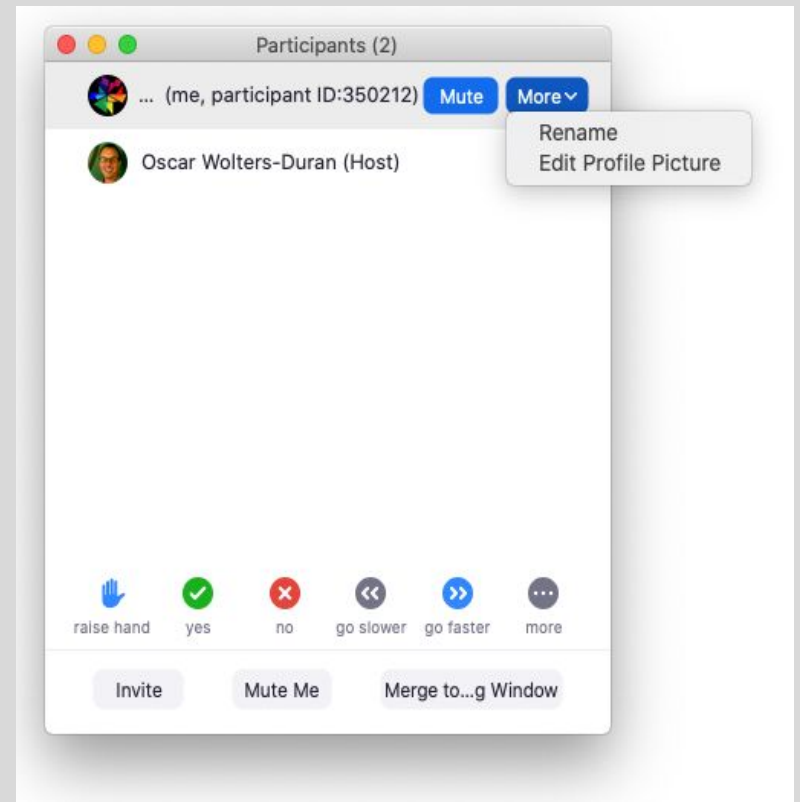
August 25th, 10:00am to 11:00am





How to Rename

- Open the participant panel by clicking “Participants”
- Hover your cursor over your name in the participant panel.
- Choose “More” and then “Rename”
- Add the name of your organization after your name (e.g. Oscar - Pathways Consultants)
- If you don’t want to join breakout groups today, add an * BEFORE your name.



Today's focal question

How can we strengthen partnerships between WDB's and their non-profit partners to better meet the overarching objectives of the Breaking Barriers Initiative?

The PLC format we'll follow...

- Each meeting will have a **focal question** relevant to the Breaking Barriers Initiative
- Warm up discussion
- Short presentation on the focal question
- Small group exploration of the question
 - What did we learn?
 - What will we try?
 - What questions remain?
- Share out from group discussions
- Closing and next steps
- Evaluation and input for future sessions

Warm up discussion

Introduce yourself to your partners, and take turns answering the discussion prompt.



**How are things going?
How are you doing? How is
your Breaking Barriers
project proceeding?**

Our guest speakers today:

From Workforce Investment Board of Tulare County:

- Adam Peck, Executive Director



From Jewish Vocational Services, SF Bay:

- Bekka Rosenbaum, Vice President of Strategy



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Notes on presentations

Adam Peck, Tulare WIB

- A lot of our current Workforce Boards grew out of early Community Action Agencies. Evolution was ManPower-CETA--JTPA--WIOA
- It's important to in community infrastructure and build capacity of the local agencies and CBO's.
- Role is to integrate in the community and build capacity--that's key!
- The WIB/WDB can leverage relationships and connections to provide enhanced services.

Notes on presentations

Bekka Rosenbaum, JVS, SF

- Consistent & pro-active communication that is functional and informative with your local WDB
- Reach out every couple months and let your WDB know about what's happening with clients, share connections with employers
- Offer your local WDB clear planning tools that show when you anticipate enrollments, placements.
- Be the eyes and ears on the ground.
- Example--inform your WDB that quarters aren't evenly split with placements and enrollments.
- Clear, consistent and informative communication can increase trust and funding over time.

Small Group Discussions

Take turns discussing any of these prompts related to our focal question:

- What did you hear that stood out to you?
- What questions do you still have?
- What has worked for your organization? What advice do you have?
- What resources can you share?

TWO ROLES IN YOUR GROUPS:

- Choose a **scribe** to record your conversation and share out key highlights (this can be the person whose name starts with the letter closest to A)
- Choose a **timekeeper** whose role is call on people to contribute and to keep the group on task. (this can be the person whose name starts with the letter closest to Z)

Highlights from your discussions

- Communication--reporting and being proactive.
- Trainings on CalJOBS to develop skills of staff
- Org charts of WDB's help A LOT to help CBO's know who to contact and for what.
- Internet and technology instability--providing services to clients under COVID
- How to build relationships with your WDB?
- Boots on the ground--meeting--
- Communication and flexibility to providing services--to populations
- Computers for classrooms in Chico: Resource--Rick from Hands of Hope shared Computers for Classrooms in Chico to obtain refurbished computers at a discounted rate
- Who are the people in WDB's to connect with? How to find out.
- Know your contract and what you are required to do and can do.
- Building on projects that already exist

Highlights from your discussions

- Be willing to be the convener
- Be around--know who your partners are--be present
- Breakout suggestion: regional breakouts to share resources that are specific to that region

Answers & Requests:

For all CalJOBS questions, reach out to your CWDB analysts, Stacy or Kerry. Your analysts can also provide you with the org chart.

Can we do breakout session by region? It would be great to know who is around us doing similar programming

Highlights from your discussions

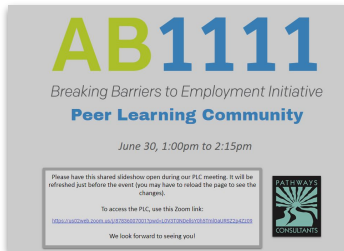
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What's Next?



We'll meet on the last Tuesday of the month

**Next PLC: Tuesday, September 29,
10:00-11:00AM**



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