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Breaking Barriers Peer Learning Community

Collaboration Between
WDBs and CBOs/non-
profits

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Working with WDBs: what works?

Consistent, proactive communication

Build functional, informative relationships

Understand their systems, constraints, timelines

Provide clear planning tools

Share connections with employers

Be a thought leader--share information! You're the eyes/ears on the ground

Working with WDBs: Case Study

Challenge

Short funding cycles, requirements to meet relatively equal outcomes across all four quarters

How did we work through this?

- Consistent communication: clearly communicated challenge before it was a problem
- Provide clear planning tools: broke down schedule of cohort enrollment to show calendar of projected enrollment and placement
- Build functional, informative relationships: combined consistent formal meetings with more informal check-ins, shared information about client experience

Resolution

- More flexibility in assigning outcomes later in the year
- Multi-year contracts being considered for future

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