



Working Better Together!

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Goal of Presentation

- Present program models that are using collaboration for student success
- Provide examples that LEA's can replicate for collaborating and building relationships in their communities utilizing existing resources
- Present challenges and barriers and how they have been overcome
- Share Student Success stories
- Provide an opportunity to address questions and concerns with Department of Rehabilitation and Ca Department of Education

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Making Hope Happen

Chris LeRoy, LEA Program Manager and
WAI Advisory Chair

WorkAbility Middle School – Transition Portfolio Diagnostic Center 6-8th grade

WorkAbility I – 9th Grade until 22years old or High School Diploma – Array of services – Served and Placed

TPP PE and VR - 16-21 years old DOR Student Services

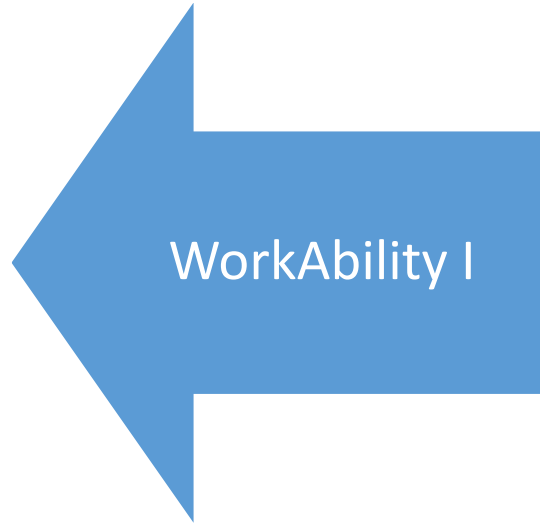
TPP VR – Out of School Individual Plan for Employment services/IPE

CaPROMISE – Youth Receiving SSI benefits (extended year 6 1819)

Ca Career Innovations – 16-21 year. Supporting youth with disabilities in Career Pathways

Project SEARCH 18-22yr – Unpaid Internship program with Kaiser Hospital

VCUSD Employment Programs
2018



VCUSD Employment Programs Evolution 2000-2018

TPP and WorkAbility – Collaborative Leadership

TPP and WAI added WA Middle School

TPP/WAI/WA Middle School added Vallejo Adult School (T2)

T2/WAI/WA Middle School added Bridges to Youth Self Sufficiency (SSA YTD Grant)

Added Project SEARCH Kaiser Hospital

Added Transition Age Youth with Mental Health

Added CaPROMISE and California Career Innovations

TPP Potentially Eligible and VR case type Option 2



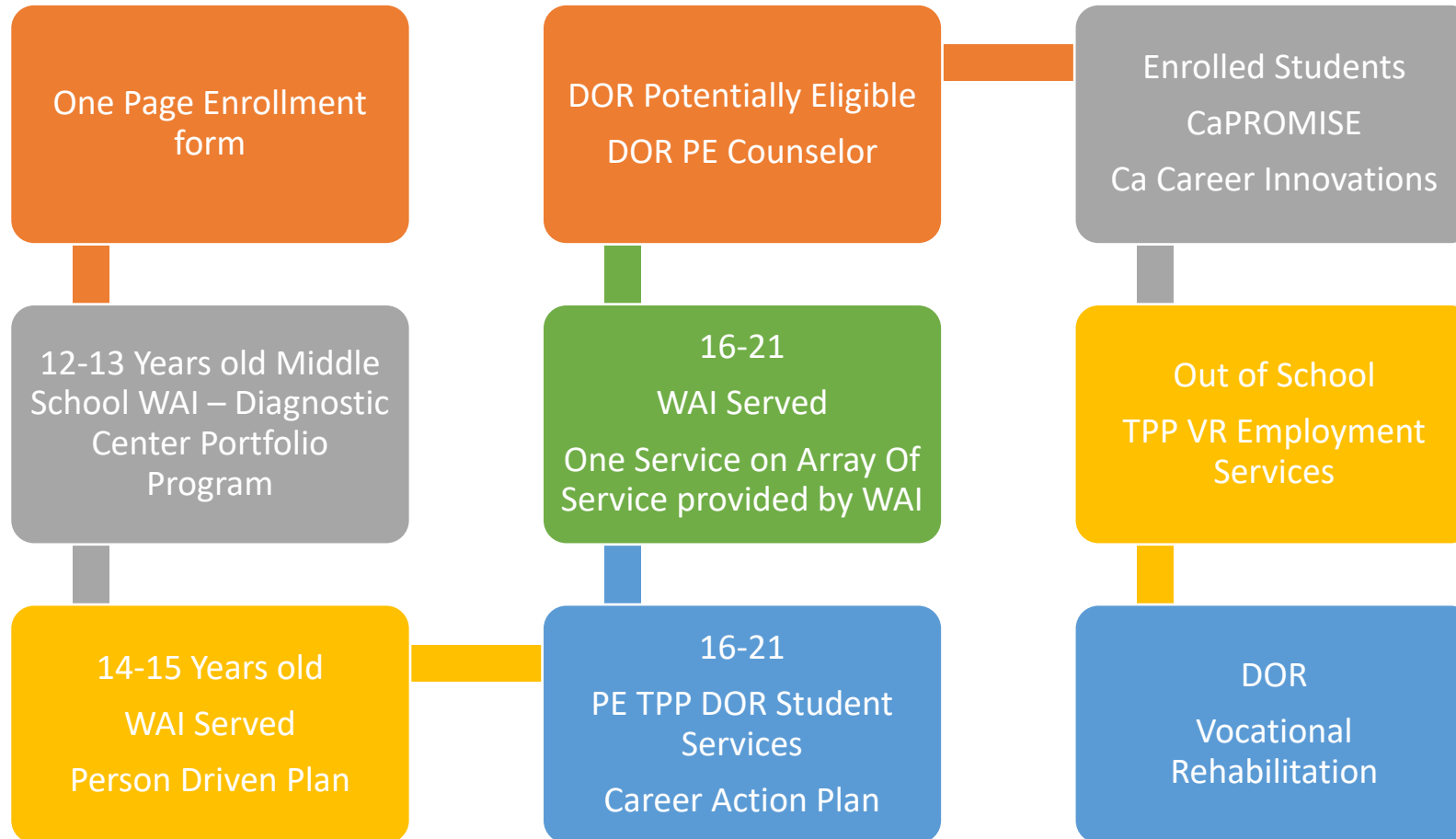
Menu of Services available to students

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- **DOR Student Services**
 - Job Exploration Counseling
 - Workplace Readiness
 - Work based Learning
 - Counseling on Post Secondary Options
 - Self Advocacy
- **VR Employment Services**
 - Employment Preparation
 - Job Development, Follow Up
 - Short Term Supports
- **WAI Services**
 - Served
 - Placed
- **CaPROMISE**
 - Benefits Planning
- **Ca Career Innovations**
 - Career Pathways

VCUSD

Process by Age Group



Needs Based Multi-Tiered System of Support for Transition



Person Driven Plan

Vallejo CUSD TPP and WAI Program Person Driven Plan

This plan is about me,
please use my own words
or words shared by my
family . . .

Student Picture may be
added here

**Think
about
your...**

- ✓ **Hobbies**
- ✓ **Talents**
- ✓ **Personality**
- ✓ **Character**
- ✓ **Qualities**
- ✓ **Gifts**
- ✓ **Experience**



My skills (What I'm good at) . . .

My Dreams for my future. . .

Name:

What are my interests, hopes and dreams as I train, learn & prepare for Education after High School...?

What are my interests, hopes and dreams as I train, learn & prepare for Employment after High School...?

What are my interests, hopes and dreams as I train, learn & prepare for where I will live after High School...?

What supports/accommodations do I need in the workplace and/or work training classes ...?

What barriers might I face as I prepare for my future ...?

My Short-Term Career Goal (For students 16 years and older):

Career Plan for Employment/Work Experience _____
Career Plan for Higher Education/Adult School College _____
(if you would like to work on both plans please rate 1st and 2nd choice)



Process for Service Delivery

Special Education Teachers (Special Ed)

TPP Vocational Specialists (Match)

Career Transition Specialists (Multi-funded)

Job Coaches (Special Ed Para's trained as Job Coaches) (Special Ed and WAI

On Site Mentors/Natural Support - Employers

Vocational Rehabilitation Staff (DOR)

Service Delivery
Staff

Service Delivery Implementation

Specialized TPP
Seminar Classes

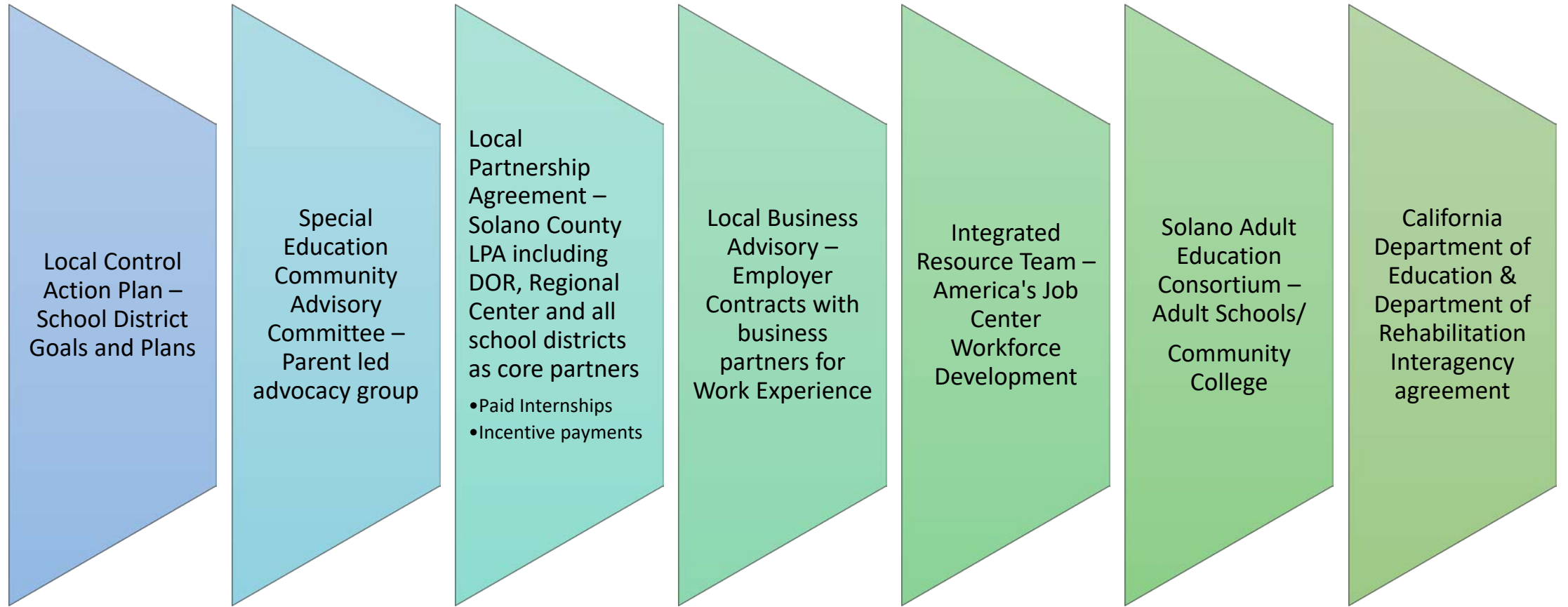
Individualized case
management

Specialized
Workshops (in
person and online)

Employment
Camps scheduled
throughout the
year

Parent/Family
Information events

Worksites
Employment
partners



Current Collaborations and Partnerships

It's not always easy but always worth it

Families matter

Engagement with the student can make all the difference

Benefits planning is critical

Student first planning is considering what the student needs first –It has to matter to them

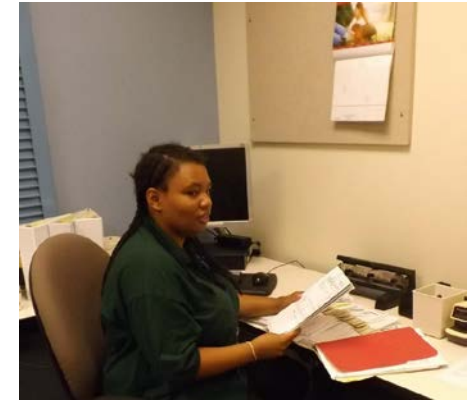
Keep it simple as possible

Not one of us alone has all the answers or resources – We work better together

Lessons Learned



Summer Employment Camp 2017





Zenas

- Jesse Bethel High School 2017– WAI Student and TPP Case Managed
- Employer: Greater Vallejo Recreation District/Mare Island Elementary - WAI WBL / TPP Paid Wk. Exp/Employer Pd
- Recreation Leader \$11 an hour
- Current Employer: Vallejo City Unified School District - Direct Hire
- Para Educator \$14.60 and benefits



Darius

- Vallejo CUSD 2017
- WAI Served and TPP Case Managed in High School
- Current Employer: Michael's Transportation
- TPP Paid Work Exp and became Employer Paid
- Body Shop Assistant
- \$12.00 an hour



Questions and Burning Issues?

- How does collaborating together support student success and not jeopardize the integrity of the specific grants and contracts?
- What will I gain from collaborating and what will I lose?
- I am a small program, how can I collaborate when I have so few resources?