

**U.S. Department of Labor/Division of Youth Services
School, Community & City-wide Gang Strategies Training**
May 5-7, 2009 - Philadelphia, PA

AGENDA

Day 1 – Tuesday, May 5, 2009

Time	Content Area	Presenter	Activity
9:00-9:15	Welcome & Introduction Opening remarks, introduction of DOL/WEST staff, Coaches, FPOs, and Day 1 presenters, participant introductions, "housekeeping"	Marilyn West, M. H. West & Co., Inc.	
9:15-9:45	Agenda Overview & Purpose Purpose: To provide exposure to subject matter experts, materials and exercises that will help participants address the challenges faced and solutions developed in combating the problems of gangs and youth violence in schools, local communities, and city-wide gang/violence reduction efforts.	Marilyn West, WEST	Ice Breaker: Steak, rolls and wine
9:45-10:15	Introduction to Underlying Premises, Theories and Assumptions 1. Review of pre assigned readings from OJJDP's Guide to Mobilizing Communities to Address Gang Problems and Guide to Assessing Your Community's Gang Problem	Marilyn West, WEST	
10:15-10:30	Break		
10:30-12:00	Setting The Stage: Gang 101 Primer Presentation will address the real life challenges of helping youth get out of gangs.	Henry Pacheco Multicultural Clinical Center, Springfield, VA	Values Voting: Agree, Disagree, Not Sure
12:00-1:15	Lunch		
1:15-2:45	Center Stage: School-based Secondary Interventions Focus on school-based secondary strategies proven effective for increasing youth academic success and deterring youth involvement in violence and gangs	On Your Own Ana Bonilla, Alexandria City Public Schools, Alexandria, VA	Exercise: Gang Culture vs. School Culture
2:45-3:00	Break		
3:00-4:15	Day 1 Reflection Teams will revisit their plans to determine how many gaps are still left open, how many have been filled either partially or in full and how many new gaps have been uncovered.	Marilyn West, WEST Sarah Sunderlin, ETA-DYS	Discussion: What is missing/needed to enhance your tertiary/ secondary intervention strategies?
4:15-4:30	Day 1 Closing	Marilyn West and Participants	Key Learnings
4:30-5:30	Networking Reception – Place to TBA		

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Day 2 – Wednesday, May 6, 2009

Time	Content Area	Presenter	Activity
9:00-9:15	Review of Day 1	Marilyn West, M. H. West & Co., Inc.	
9:15-10:30	Stage Left: Parents as First Line of Prevention Presentation identifies characteristics of youth appropriate for prevention strategies and highlights the role of parents in supporting grantee efforts to increase youth academic success and deter youth involvement in violence and gangs.	Richard Ramos, Latino Coalition for Faith, Ana Bonilla & WEST	Discussion: Facing the challenges of parent engagement
10:30-10:45	Break		
10:45-12:00	The Role of Faith and Community based Organizations This segment defines types of prevention strategies shown effective in community-based settings, offers examples of the roles faith and community-based organizations can plan in promoting youth academic success and deterring youth involvement in violence and gangs.	Richard Ramos, Latino Coalition for Faith & Community Leadership	Discussion: Success and challenges in selecting and engaging the right FCBOs.
12:00-1:15	Lunch	On Your Own	
1:15-2:45	The Power of Community-based Mentoring Presentation will focus on service-based mentoring as a strategy to address the need of “caring adults” as an underlying reason why youth joins gangs.	COACHES and WEST	Discussion: Finding mentors for high risk youth
2:45-3:00	Break		
3:00-4:15	Day 2 Reflection Teams will revisit their plans to determine how many gaps are still left open, how many have been filled either partially or in full and how many new gaps have been uncovered.	Ramos and Participants	
4:15-4:30	Day 2 Closing	Marilyn West and Participants	Key Learnings
4:30-5:30	Networking Reception – Place TBA		

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Day 3 – Thursday, May 7th 2009

Time	Content Area	Presenter	Activity
9:00-9:15	Review of Day 2	Marilyn West	
9:15-9:45	MTV Presents, T.I. Road to Redemption Clip from MTV presentation of rapper T.I.'s community service work to change the direction of youth who thinks she wants to join a gang. Features Home Boys, Inc, a LA based non profit organization dedicated to getting youth out of gangs.	Ramos, Pachero and Ana Bonilla	Discussion: What's missing and what are venues for getting out the message?
9:45-10:00	Break		
10:00-11:00	The Making of a City-Wide Gang-Focused Strategy Stage Right: The Art of Collaboration Presentation will offer models, strategies and techniques for developing and/or identifying community collaborative to support the goals and objectives of grantee efforts.	Marilyn West	Discussion: What stakeholders are missing from the table?
11:00-11:30	Keeping Score Introduction of the DOL Dashboard Scorecard as a monitoring tool to gauge the short term, intermediate and long range benchmarks and outcomes of site gang reduction plans.	Sarah Sunderlin, DOL/DYS	Discussion: Collecting, recording and analyzing data.
11:30-12:15	Last Look Teams will take a final look at their plans to determine how many gaps are still left open, how many have been filled either partially or in full and any additional gaps that have been uncovered.	Ramos and Participants	
12:15-12:30	Closing Follow-up and Next Steps	Marilyn West	