THE NEAR WEST AMERICAN JOB CENTER STORY: BETTER TOGETHER

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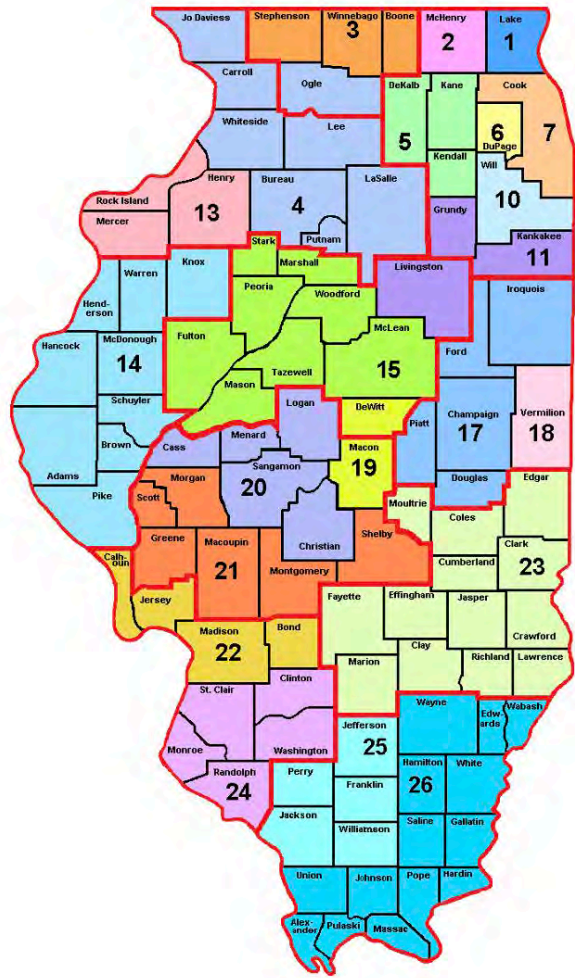
Where is your local area?

Which partner do you best represent?

A Little About Us

▶ Today's Presenters
  ▶ Angela Lopez **able.**
  ▶ Robert Guzman Chicago Citywide Literacy Coalition
  ▶ Regina Rizzo LEGAL AID CHICAGO EQUAL JUSTICE STARTS HERE

▶ Near West AJC

Wake of Happiness, by Judith Mayer

Who Are Our Partners?

State agencies and non-profit agencies work together to provide job seekers access to a wide variety of job search assistance and support services.

Dislocated Workers	Long-term Unemployed	Job Seekers 55 yrs or Better
Job Seekers with Disabilities	Veterans	Returning Citizens

Program Orientations	Job Search Workshops	Adult Education & ESL	Food Security
Access to Healthcare	Legal Assistance	Childcare Assistance	Vocational Training
Paid Work Experience	Unemployment Insurance	Access to Housing	

Forming Partnerships

▶ Role of WIOA Mandated Partners

▶ Adding New Partners

▶ 1:1 Meetings with Partners

▶ Monthly Meetings

Working Together

Monthly Meetings: Preparation & Structure

Survey Results & Numbers

Program Introductions/ Updates

Collaboration Opportunities

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Referrals

- Services Summary Chart
- Referral Forms
- Referral Submissions & Documentation

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Additional Tools

	What's Happening
	Lobby Table Option & Schedule
	Workforce Wednesday

Lobby Tables

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Collaborative Events

Cross Training

Format

Preparation

Components

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Collaborative Events

City Key

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Collaborative Events

Careers de Mayo

Event Explanation

Planning

Outcome

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Discover and connect with community resources and employers!

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Collaborative Events

Troubleshooting

- Coordination Accountability

- Sporadic Partner Participation

- Low Referrals

- COVID-19

Questions?