### Cross-Agency Partnerships for Student Success

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### Why?

- Some individuals in transition do not have a clear direction, just pick a major or path and often get disappointed.
- Disappointed people sometimes stop or drop out of college.
- Costs time and money for people to redirect their careers.

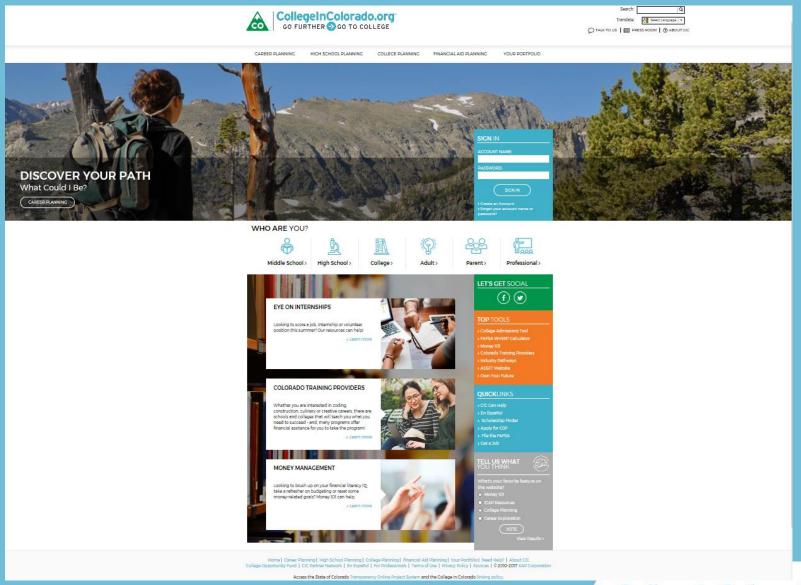
### Purpose

- Pilot Projects
- To develop and strengthen interagency and organizational partnerships.
- To promote a "warm handoff" for students and adults accessing services.
- This unique approach is centered on the use of individual career and academic planning (ICAP) opportunities for multiple generations of users in each region.

### Collective Impact Projects

- Colorado State University Pueblo & Pueblo City Schools
- Trinidad Regional Collaborative
- Denver Neighborhood of West Colfax

### Platform: College In Colorado



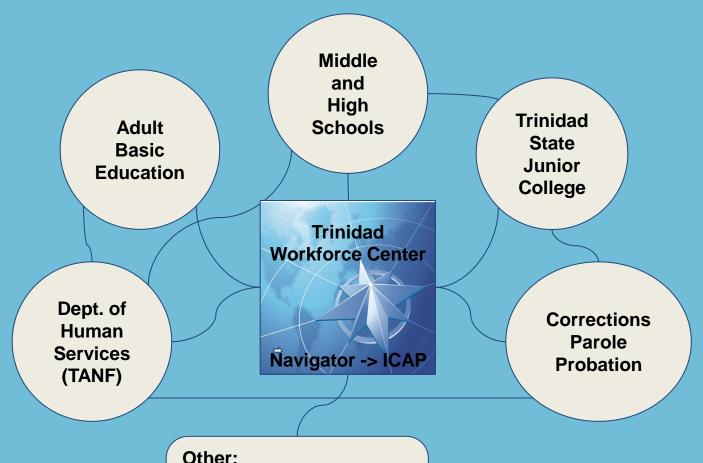
## Colorado State University Pueblo & Pueblo City Schools 60

- Pueblo City Schools 60 is in the process of enhancing their student's College In Colorado portfolios by becoming a *Custom Portfolio Services* (CPS) client with the webhost XAP.
- As a CPS account, the District will be able to auto-create staff and student accounts, upload course list and graduation requirements, and more.
- Pueblo City School's ICAP is the foundation for this partnership
- TRIO Upward Bound (UB) at CSU-Pueblo included the use of College in Colorado as the main platform for tracking learning objectives in our current grant proposal.
- UB recognized the valuable resources offered by CIC.

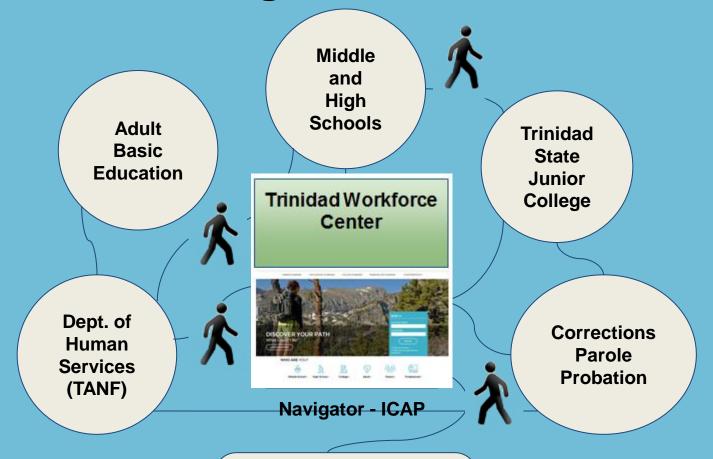
## Colorado State University Pueblo & Pueblo City Schools (Cont'd)

- Additional student activities were included to the District's ICAP to meet UB program goals and objectives
- "Milestones will be tracked by students, parents/guardians and assigned staff in each student's College in Colorado (CIC) account, the District's required ICAP online platform. UB staff will be trained by the District to have responsibility for assisting students to complete activities required by the District's ICAP policy. UB will use Colorado's recommended curriculum for meeting the minimum requirements outlined in ICAP legislation to make sure the ICAP's for UB participants are of the highest quality and exceed the state's minimum."

(EXCERPT From 2017-2021 Upward Bound Grant Proposal)



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Housing
Public Library



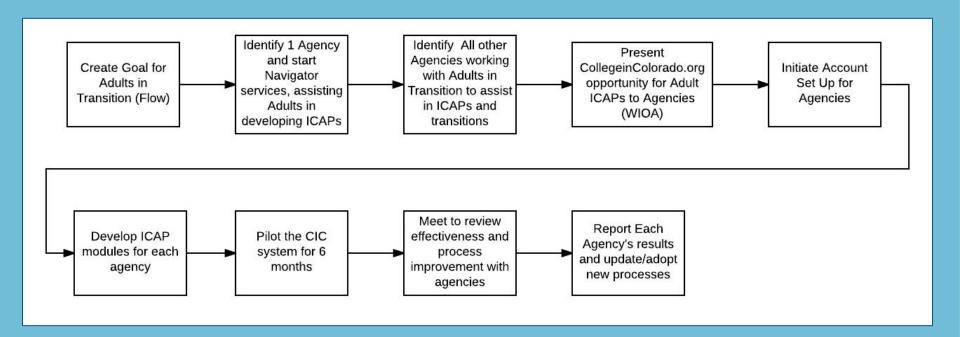
Other:
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Mental Health
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### **Individual Career and Academic Plan (ICAP)**









## Trinidad Regional Collaborative Suggestions

- Create an account with <u>collegeincolorado.org</u> for yourself and organization
- Go through the site as though you were a client (career assessments, etc.)
- Have office hours at the high school during slow times for college advising
- Participate in Regional Governmental and Community groups such as Workforce Innovation and Opportunity (WIOA) Act was signed into law on July 22, 2014.

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## Denver Neighborhood of West Colfax

- Career Planning Survey Pilot Project
- Being tested in a Denver neighborhood GED/English Language Learner (formerly known as ESL) site
- Survey is one page (front/back)
- Survey used prior to CIC career assessments
- Front side of survey identifies each student's:
  - oprior education and training
  - English language proficiency
  - ocomputer skills level
  - owork experience/skills in high demand industries in CO:
    - IT, construction, advanced manufacturing, and healthcare
  - ocareer planning needs (i.e., resume, interviewing, etc.)
  - obarriers to achieving career goals
- Back side of survey introduces students to Career Clusters and Pathways;
   students identify which career clusters and pathways they are interested in;
   CIC career assessments done thereafter to validate career interests



### CAREER PLANNING QUESTIONNAIRE

### COMPLETE THE CAREER CLUSTER SURVEY ON THE BACK SIDE OF

Career clusters are groups of occupations and career pathways that can help you to explore your career options. After completing the career cluster survey on the back side of this sheet, please answer the following questions:

. Of the six career clusters (larger, shaded boxes) identified in the model, in which two career clusters have you marked the most boxes with a "v" to reflect your career interests?

ct to the boxes you marked with a "v", which career
st describe the careers you may want to pursue?

### Skills & Talents

Skills in the areas of healthcare, information technology, construction, and advanced manufacturing are in high demand in Colorado. Let us know if you have any skills in these industries.

Place an "x" in the boxes below if you have any experience in the identified trade or skill: mark all boxes that apply.

- □ bookkeeping or accounting
- □ office work
  - Typing skills:
  - □ average (40 words per minute)
  - above average (more than 40 words per minute)
  - □ high speed (more than 100 words per minute)
- □ QuickBooks or other bookkeeping software
- ownership of a small business
- managing or training staff
- a cashier, food prep, cook, retail, clerk, front desk
- computer programming or troubleshooting
- any healthcare-related skills
- ☐ CAD/CAM; SolidWorks; Revit; and/or blueprint reading
- operation of manual manufacturing machines
- operation of computerized manufacturing machines (CNC)
- truck driving
- □ construction skills (place an "x" in every box that applies):
  - □ carpentry □ bricklaving electrical work □ plumbing work
  - □ pipefitting □ welding
  - □ HVAC installation and repair painting and staining □ roofing and water proofing □ drywall taping/finishing □ other flooring installation
  - tile setting and finishing □ cement masonry/concrete finishing
  - operating/maintaining engine-powered machines/equip.

### Employment and Career Development Help

Place an "x" in the boxes that identify areas for which you desire help to pursue your employment goals.

- □ cover letter and résumé writing
- Do you have a résumé? □ Yes □ No
- □ iob searches □ career strategy
- □ job interview preparation □ retooling and upskilling
- professionalism in the workplace and ethics
- □ internship, apprenticeship, and job shadowing opportunities

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Place an "x" in the box that best describes your skill level. Word: □ none □ basic □ intermediate □ advanced □ none □ basic □ intermediate □ advanced PowerPoint: p none p basic p intermediate p advanced Knowledge of other computer programs:

English Language Skills (if you are not a native English speaker) Place an "x" in the box that best describes your English language skill level, using this rating system:

level 1 beginner level level 3 business level level 2 conversational level | level 4 fluent level Speaking English: plevel 1 plevel 2 plevel 3 plevel 4 Reading in English: □ level 1 □ level 2 □ level 3 □ level 4 Writing in English: | level 1 | level 2 | level 3 | level 4 Are you currently enrolled in ESL or English classes?
 □ Yes
 □ No

Place an "x" in the box that best identifies the highest level of education you completed.

- □ less than 10<sup>th</sup> grade
- □ 10<sup>th</sup> grade or higher
- □ high school diploma or □ GED
- □ some college courses
- □ college certificate
- associate's degree (two-year degree)
- □ bachelor's degree (four-year degree)
- master's degree

Is your high school diploma or higher degree from a country other

List any types of training you have received:

 Are you currently enrolled in an adult basic education (GED) program? □ Yes □ No

### Possible Barriers to Pursing Career Goals

Place an "x" in the boxes that identify issues that you are facing for which you desire help in order to pursue your career goals.

- □ work/family/school balance
- □ time management skills and/or □ study skills
- □ budgeting for college/securing loans, grants, and scholarships
- ☐ TANF, SNAP, Medicaid, or CHP+ issues
- □ Social Security, SSI, or SSDI issues
- □ child support issues
- □ housing issues
- child care issues
- □ transportation issues
- rent or utilities payment issues on a recurring basis
- □ immigration status issues
- prior criminal record or arrest record
- prescription drugs payment issues
- ☐ family issues (divorce, child custody, visitation, guardianship)
- □ addiction issues (you or a family member)
- □ debt or bankruptcy issues

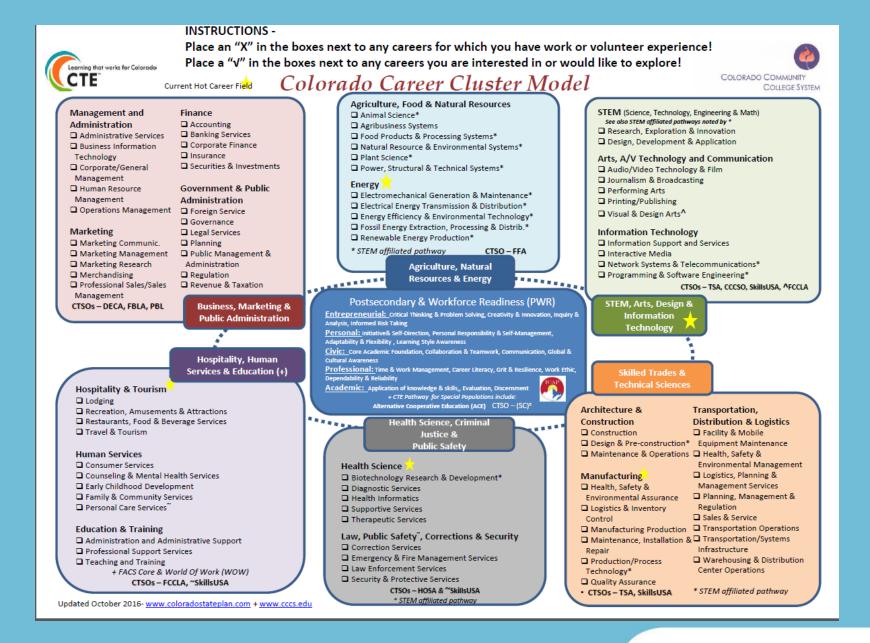
other:		

First Name: Last Name: Phone No.:

Are you employed? □ Yes □ No/Occupation:

### Career **Planning** Questionnaire

(front page)



### Career Planning Questionnaire

# Denver Neighborhood of West Colfax (Cont'd)

### **Career Planning Survey is used to:**

- OIntegrate career planning and counseling with GED/ELL programming
- Olncrease retention in GED/ELL programs
- OCreate a bridge between GED/ELL programs and community colleges

1<sup>st</sup> choose a career
2<sup>nd</sup> choose a program of study
3<sup>rd</sup> choose a community college



- Quickly identify adults in neighborhoods who are able to fill labor shortages in their area
- •Quickly target credentialing opportunities to upskill or retool adults to fill jobs that are in high demand
- Assess credit for prior learning opportunities and credentialing opportunities for adults at the community colleges
- oPartner with community colleges to provide co-enrollment opportunities with GED and to bring classes to neighborhoods where there is significant interest in specific programs of study, i.e., CAD/CAM

### Why focus on career planning?

- Individuals need a clear pathway to college from a GED/ELL program, TANF program, corrections, public housing, vocational rehab, high school, etc.
- We see greater retention and resiliency in school when students select a major upon entering a community college

It costs time and money for people to redirect their

careers

- Correct Order:
  - ○1<sup>st</sup> Choose a Career
  - O2nd Choose a Program of Study
  - 3rd Choose a Community College



### **Hurdles**

- Buy In from internal and external partners
- Primary Training on ICAP's Purpose and Value to high school, adult clients, and government agencies
- Undecided Students
  - Waste time and money
  - Often stop or drop out
- High school students lack career pathways guidance (i.e. complete 80 credits in high school and only 16 transfer to their college of choice)
- Technology (i.e. Correctional Institutions are locked down browsers)
  - Data Sharing Agreements are often needed

### **Lessons Learned**

- Centrally located Navigators (i.e. the Workforce center)
- Navigators assist more clients by visiting the departments directly such as Adult Basic Ed, Workforce, etc.
- Potential opportunity for leveraging resources (i.e. shared funding).
- Build partnerships between agencies to decrease duplication of efforts and cover the academic career development areas
  - Meet with school district and all possible programs and contacts to the table at the beginning of the planning phase (i.e. other area programs) to mutually develop a plan; to avoid duplication of student accounts.
  - Student account duplication will cause a lot of unnecessary time, energy, and frustration for the schools to "merge" student accounts.

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## Thank you!

