

Transforming Lives: Implementing a Whole Family Whole Home Approach to Innovation

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Project Overview

Purpose

“The Collaborative on Economic Mobility is intended to highlight emerging and promising practices in economic mobility for low-income communities and to expand the capacity of the Community Action network to deliver services that promote economic mobility.”

What is Economic Mobility?

“The measure of how an individual or family’s economic well-being changes over time. The movement of an individual from a lower economic level to a higher economic level refers to upward mobility. The movement from a higher economic level to a lower economic level refers to downward mobility.”

Key Focus Areas

Community
Asset Building

Innovative
Community
Programs and
Organizations

High-Quality
Education

Two-Generation
and Whole
Family
Approaches

Workforce
Development

The Intersection of WFA & Housing

Housing stability is essential for economic mobility and improves outcomes at all life stages:

- School Readiness
- Success in Elementary & Middle School
- High School Graduation Rates
- Completion of Post-Secondary Education & Training
- Maintaining Employment



The Intersection of WFA & Housing

The current housing crisis demands a mix of innovative strategies and solutions that include:

- Creating Affordable Housing
- Increasing Overall Housing Supply
- Improving Access to Housing
- Preventing Displacement
- Maintaining Safe & Healthy Housing



Enrichment Services Program

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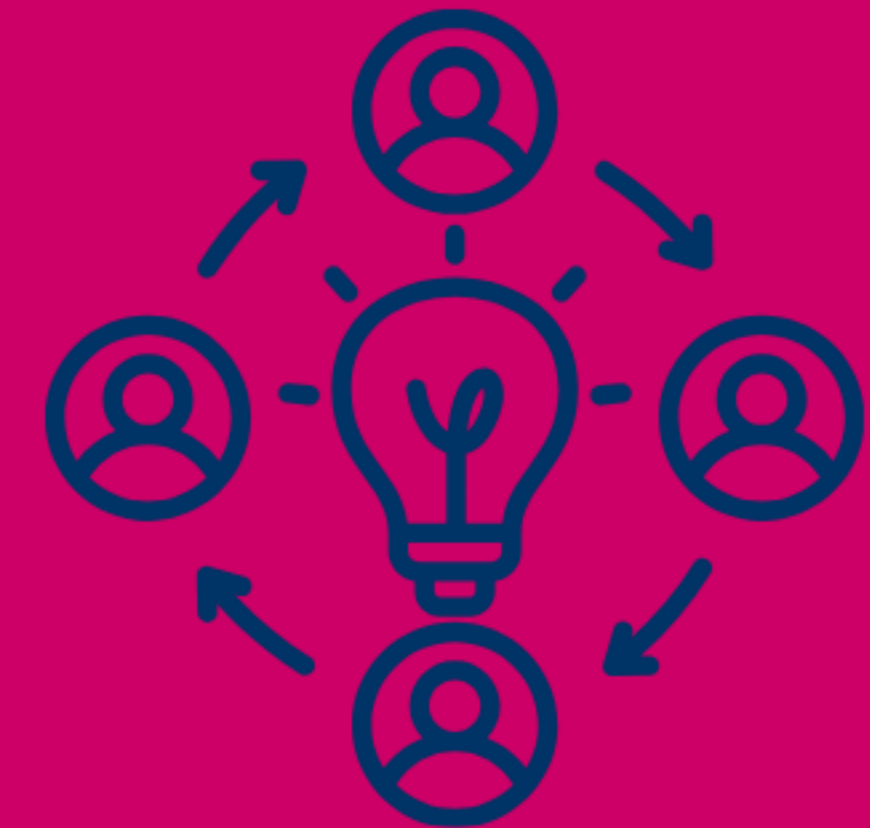
Tools and Resources

TAKE YOUR ECONOMIC MOBILITY INITIATIVES TO THE NEXT LEVEL!

SIGN UP TODAY!
SPACE IS LIMITED

The Collaborative on Economic Mobility (CEM) is currently offering individualized training and technical assistance calls to help your agency implement innovative approaches that advance economic mobility in your community.

Designed for Community Action Agencies who are interested in reimagining what is possible, these customized calls will offer tailored insight, whether you're launching a new program, scaling an existing one, or seeking creative strategies and partnerships to address challenges.



RECEIVE ONE-ON-ONE ASSISTANCE IN THESE KEY FOCUS AREAS:

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION

COMMUNITY ASSET BUILDING

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YOUR 1-ON-1
CALL TODAY!



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NEW NCAP WEBPAGE!!!

Explore the new Collaborative on Economic Mobility (CEM) Webpage!

You can find tools and resources related to CEM key focus areas and sign up for our Fresh Finds Newsletter here!

CEM Key Focus Areas:

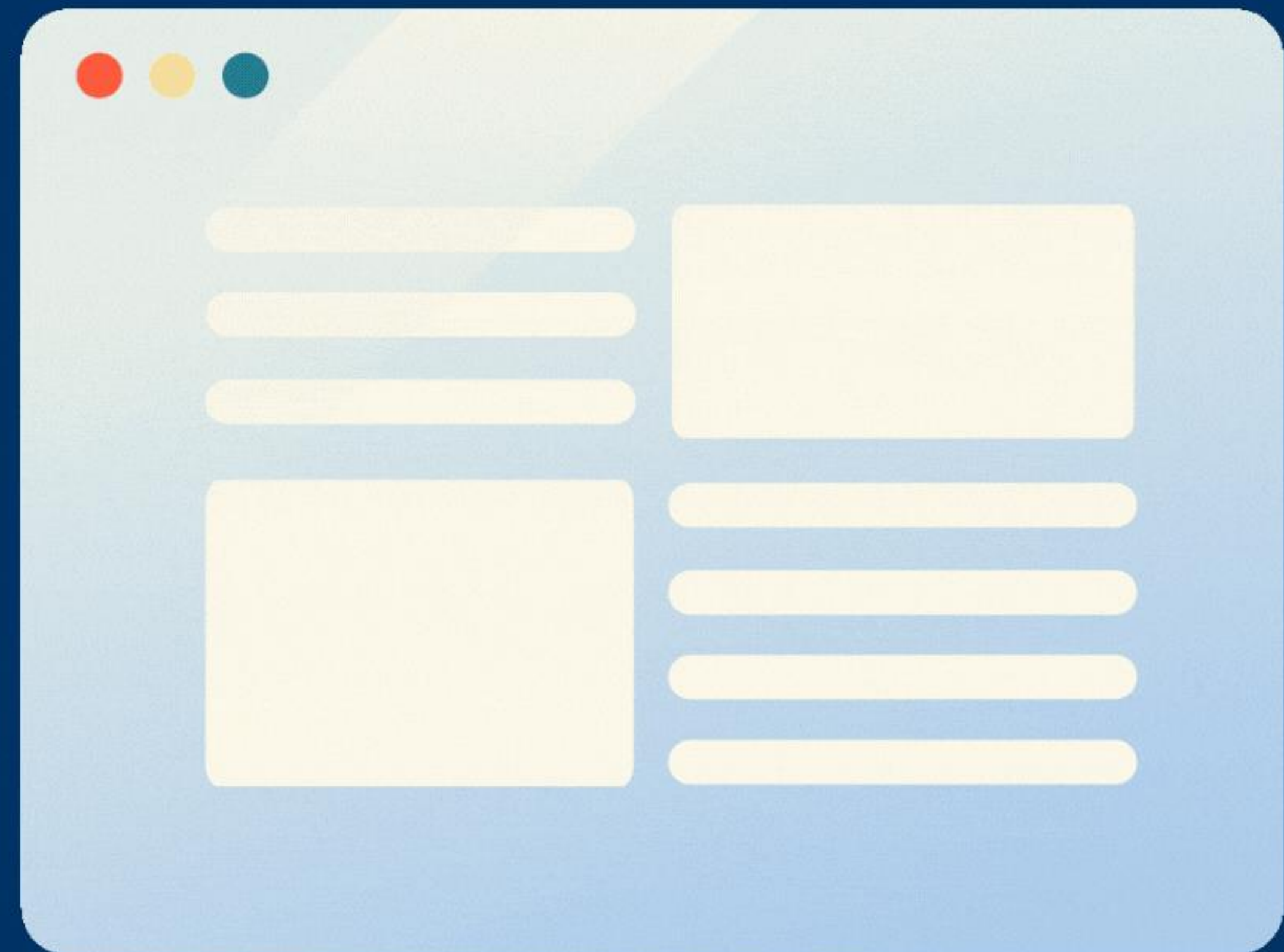
WHOLE FAMILY APPROACH

HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION

COMMUNITY ASSET BUILDING

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

**INNOVATIVE COMMUNITY PROGRAMS
& ORGANIZATIONS**



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PRE-APPRENTICESHIPS WEBINAR COMPANION GUIDE



This guide is designed to accompany the webinar Workforce Development focusing on Pre-Apprenticeships as pathways to economic mobility shaping a brighter future not only for individuals but

In today's rapidly evolving job market, workforce development is essential for building strong, resilient families and fostering long-term economic growth. It's about creating meaningful jobs and driving long-term economic growth. By investing in workforce development, employers can empower individuals to:

- **Increase Earning Potential:** Skilled workers can improve financial stability.
- **Enhance Job Security:** In-demand skills provide job market stability.
- **Contribute to Community Prosperity:** A skilled workforce drives growth and strengthens local economies.
- **Break Cycles of Poverty:** Access to quality training leads to upward mobility.

APPRENTICESHIP WEBINAR COMPANION GUIDE



This guide is designed to accompany the webinar Innovative Approaches to Workforce Development focusing on Registered Apprenticeships as pathways to economic mobility. This resource is designed to deepen your understanding of Registered Apprenticeships and provide you with additional resources to support your next steps, whether you're launching a program, expanding an existing program, or exploring how Registered Apprenticeships can strengthen your Workforce Development program goals.

What is a Registered Apprenticeship?
 A Registered Apprenticeship is an industry-vetted, structured, work-based learning model that combines on-the-job training (OJT) with related instruction (RI). These programs are registered with the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) or a State Apprenticeship Agency, ensuring they meet specific quality standards.

Feature	Registered Apprenticeship	Apprenticeship	Pre-Apprenticeship
Registration	Registered with DOL or State Apprenticeship Agency and abides by 23 established standards	Any apprenticeship that is not formally registered with DOL	Not necessarily registered
Wage	Paid employment	May be paid a stipend, starting hourly wage, or unpaid	May be paid a stipend, starting hourly wage, or unpaid
Credential	Nationally recognized credential upon completion	May or may not lead to credential, but not always nationally recognized	May or may not lead to credential, but not always nationally recognized
Duration	Typically 1-5 years depending on chosen industry	Typically 1-5 years depending on chosen industry	Shorter term, often a few weeks to months
Purpose	Provides industry-vetted, paid job training that leads to full occupational proficiency while earning a portable, nationally recognized credential	Offers structured, paid or unpaid job training to prepare individuals for skilled careers, potentially leading to industry-recognized credentials	Foundational program designed to prepare individuals to enter and succeed in Registered Apprenticeships

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT WEBINAR SERIES

Dive deeper into apprenticeship pathways with the Workforce Development webinar series!

Explore action steps, strategies, and resources to strengthen your understanding and implementation of Pre-Apprenticeships and Registered Apprenticeships through this two-part webinar series and accompanying companion guides from the Collaborative on Economic Mobility.

EXPLORE MORE HERE!



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STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS WEBINAR SERIES



Discover how Community Action Agencies can reimagine and strengthen strategic partnerships to deepen trust and align goals for lasting community impact.

Unlock your potential and advance economic mobility by exploring this two-part webinar series with supplemental companion guides from the Collaborative on Economic Mobility.

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Promising Practices for Building & Sustaining Strategic Partnerships **1**

BUILDING & REIMAGINING ESTABLISHED PARTNERSHIPS

Re-imagining What Partnerships Can Be

Partnerships can extend far beyond the familiar when we broaden the circle of who we consider as potential partners and reframe partnerships as relationships that contribute to building a connected community of support. This network can be fostered with diverse partnerships such as community colleges, hospitals, public health departments, small and large businesses, trade unions, cultural organizations, and alumni associations to actively support and amplify each other's shared community goals. These partnerships can bring valuable resources like funding, support, job training opportunities, and spark program innovation. Re-imagining your existing and future partnerships encourages both partners to think beyond their own scope and work towards change that will benefit the entire community.

Building on Established Partnerships

Don't start from scratch! Your Community Action Agency (CAA) likely has a network of existing partnerships. The key is to strategically expand and deepen these connections to pursue innovative economic mobility initiatives.



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STRENGTHENING & SUSTAINING STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

i Introduction

Whether formed across sectors, within the community, or among other mission driven organizations, strategic partnerships are built on shared values, trust, and commitment to collective impact.

But building these partnerships is just the first step. Sustaining these partnerships requires you to go deeper in your relationship with your partners and build a shared sense of purpose that drives you to adapt and innovate. This ongoing effort is what transforms simple connections to collaborations that are capable of driving impact.

It is through nurturing and strengthening these relationships that partnerships can unlock their full potential and create lasting change.



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FINANCIAL EDUCATION AND WEALTH GENERATION STRATEGIES FOR ECONOMIC MOBILITY

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

2:00pm ET/1:00pm CT/12:00pm PT

Join the Collaborative on Economic Mobility for a webinar designed to equip Community Action Agencies with tools and resources to help families set financial goals, identify wealth-building opportunities and make informed decisions for financial stability and growth. Participants will learn from Community Action Agencies who are implementing innovative approaches to address the financial challenges of families and communities. Gain insight and actionable strategies to help start or strengthen financial education and wealth generation programs that support economic mobility.



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EXPAND

IMPLEMENT

The “Fresh Finds” Newsletter is offered quarterly through the Collaborative on Economic Mobility (CEM). Sign up and be the first to know about new tools, resources, and training opportunities!

Are you interested in expanding the capacity of your organization to implement innovative programs and services?

Are you interested in improving outcomes for the individuals, families, and communities in your service area?

Are you interested in learning from the experiences of other community leaders across the country?



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