

# PARTNERSHIPS FOR OPENING DOORS

A summit on integrating employment and housing strategies to prevent and end homelessness

## *Speed Round Guidelines and Requirements*

### **General Instructions**

- The purpose of your Speed Round presentation is to **introduce** the Summit participants to how your community is working together to provide access to quality jobs, skills training, and supportive services in the context of employment, training and career pathways for those experiencing homelessness.
- One team member will deliver a fast-paced, high-impact oral presentation in a quick and fun format that will last **no more than 5 minutes each**. The presentation will be made from the stage at a podium with a microphone. The slide will be projected on the screen.
- A slide prepared by each community will be projected on the screen.
- Each community is permitted one slide, and no more than that.
- If possible, the WIB/WDC representative should be the presenter, but this is not required.
- Please be sure to practice the presentation so you are comfortable delivering it within your allotted 5 minutes. There is not any additional time available.
- Submit **PowerPoint slide and the name of the presenter** to alex@poppeassociates.com by October 2nd, 2014
- The presenter should plan to arrive at 8AM on the day of the Summit for a quick rehearsal and final instructions.

### **Specific Instructions**

- Think of the Speed Round as a condensed Ted Talk. Try to draw in the audience at the beginning with a clear, quick statement of your idea. For other tips, check out <http://www.forbes.com/sites/carminegallo/2014/03/04/9-public-speaking-lessons-from-the-worlds-greatest-ted-talks/>.
- The body of the Speed Round should be spent mostly on new information and not facts that the audience is already probably aware of. Do not use acronyms.
- Conclude by making the audience feel positively towards your community's practices. Do not simply summarize what you just said; let everyone know how your community is working to improve people's lives through employment and housing.
- The PowerPoint slide should include the name of your community and the presenter along with one or two key facts or themes about your community. The slide should be easy to read and should include an image that interests the audience. Do not include too much text on the slide.

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### **Ideas/Questions to Respond to**

- If your community is currently implementing projects specifically for homeless jobseekers, briefly describe the approach, including any evidence based or promising practices that are being used, the target population, and the results of the project.
- Briefly describe your community's current or planned integration between CoC and WDC/WIB. Describe the stage and level of integration between nonprofit, government, nonprofit, and private entities in working towards a collaborative approach to provide access to quality jobs, skills training, and supportive services in the context of employment, training and career pathways for those experiencing homelessness. Are you at the "intent to collaborate" stage or just beginning the partnership? Or perhaps you have one or two joint projects underway to deliver services? Or perhaps your partnership is a fully integrated effort between both your homeless assistance and workforce systems?
- Is WIA funding being used to support services and programs for homeless jobseekers? If so, how is it being used? If not, why not? What other sources of federal, state, local, and private funding are used to support these activities?
- Are any of the strategies being implemented by your community universal in any way, and if so, how? That is, do you believe that if other communities around the country emulated these practices that they would experience similar results?
- If time permits, perhaps include an interesting anecdote illustrating how your community's approaches have positively affected the lives of individuals who experience homelessness.