CREATING A DROPOUT RECOVERY SYSTEM

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DROPOUT: A NATIONAL PROBLEM

• 1.2 million students did not graduate from high school in 2011

• lost lifetime earnings for that class alone total $154 billion

• 1 in 10 U.S. high schools is a dropout factory
6.7 MILLION
17.3%

Youth Age 16-24
Out of school and out of work
LAUSD

6,950

From the Class of 2013
Did not graduate
LAUSD AND CHRONIC ABSENCE

19,646

Chronically absent high school students
Four-Year Graduation Rates by Freshman Absence Rates

“What Matters for Staying On Track and Graduating in Chicago Public Schools” (July 2007)

Percentage that Graduated in Four Years

Days Absent per Semester: 0-4, 5-9, 10-14, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40+

Course cutting counted as partial days

- 87% for 0-4 days
- 63% for 5-9 days
- 41% for 10-14 days
- 21% for 15-19 days
- 9% for 20-24 days
- 5% for 25-29 days
- 2% for 30-34 days
- 1% for 35-39 days
- 0% for 40+ days
CITY OF LOS ANGELES

100,000

Youth age 16-24
Out of School and Out of Work
FINDING A SOLUTION
It Takes a Village

System Alignment Based on a Common Goal

- School District, Community Colleges, Business, Child Welfare, Probation, Mental Health,
- Workforce Development
POLICIES & PARTNERSHIPS
(REAL SKIN IN THE GAME)

- LA Compact - Policy priority to serve OSY youth
- 2012 launch of WIA dropout recovery system
- Random assignment evaluation - Workforce Innovation Fund
- LA Unified School District Co-Investment to place counselors in each YouthSource Center (PSA Counselors)
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

▪ 26,448 Young adults used the YouthSource Centers
▪ 10,514 received an educational assessment
▪ 5,770 Young adults enrolled in the YouthSource System
▪ 1,646 High School Dropouts were Re-engaged and Re-enrolled in School
EXPANSION OF COLLABORATIVE

- Student Recovery Day
- Truancy Diversion Program
- Arrest Diversion Program
- FamilySource Program
- Foster Youth Achievement Program
- Camp Returnee/Probation Youth Program
YouthSource and FamilySource Centers aimed at serving students and families throughout the City of Los Angeles.
ON A PATH TO SUCCESS
Thank you