

# **(Re)Connecting Youth**

*Exchanging Global Lessons*

## **BALTIMORE, MARYLAND & TIJUANA, MEXICO**

*Learning Exchange Partners*

### **FRONTERAS PRO SALUD, A.C.**

Since 1992, Fronteras Unidas Pro Salud A.C. has supported the health, wellbeing, and social development of vulnerable populations in Baja California, Mexico, primarily through the provision of sexual and reproductive health services. In 2014, Pro Salud expanded its programming to support vulnerable youth in pursuing productive livelihoods. To do so, it adapted the Órale model first developed in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico by the International Youth Foundation. Órale's highly interactive, peer-to-peer methodology combines soft skills instruction, employability training, and job placement services. Pro Salud complemented Órale's employability focus with its proven health expertise, time-honored relationships with community-based organizations, and networks among potential employers.

### **BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS (BCPS) RE-ENGAGEMENT CENTER**

The Baltimore City Public Schools Re-engagement Center brings students who have previously dropped out, are at high risk of dropping out, or have been incarcerated back to the school system, and also supports students who are in acute crisis. At the center, students are connected to the support and educational environment needed to minimize the likelihood of dropping out.

### **THE BALTIMORE CITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TEEN PREVENTION INITIATIVE**

The Baltimore City Health Department, in partnership with the Family League of Baltimore, established the Teen Prevention Initiative in 2010 with the goal of reducing unintended teen pregnancies in Baltimore. The initiative aims to ensure that adolescents and young adults have access to age-appropriate, evidence-based sexual health education and information; effective, up-to-date, youth-friendly family planning and clinical services; and community support to make informed sexual health decisions.

### **THE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT (M.O.E.D.), WESTSIDE YOUTH OPPORTUNITY (YO) CENTER**

The M.O.E.D. Westside YO Center provides opportunities for young people, age 17-24, who are out of school and out of work to connect with academic classes, GED prep, job training, and other services.

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