



INNOVATIVE SKILL & EXPERIENCE BUILDING FOR SURVIVORS Session Guide & Resources

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Webinar Description

Survivors often struggle with complicated work history and may lack formal experience in their career field of choice. This peer learning session will explore ways that economic empowerment programs can collaborate to provide survivors with multiple avenues to deepen skills, work history and experience in their career field of choice. **Facilitators:** Rebecca Sisneros ([New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions](#)), Sarah Gonzalez & Carolyne Ouya ([Futures Without Violence](#))

About Organizations:



[Promoting Employment Opportunities for Trafficking Project \(PEOST\)](#) provides training and technical assistance program for victim service providers, local workforce development and educational service providers, employers and survivors on innovative strategies to increase access to quality education and employment opportunities for survivors of human trafficking.



[New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions \(NMDWS\)](#) strives to be a leader in improving employment and poverty rates through workforce development, enhanced services for employers, and ensuring fair labor practices and workforce protections for New Mexicans.

Learning Objectives

By the end of this webinar, the learner will be able to:

- Understand the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) and how to leverage to support survivors with skill building and employment opportunities.
- Identify local workforce development resources such as educational institutions, job readiness and training/apprenticeship programs for collaboration.
- Recognize key components of successful collaboration with workforce development system for skill building.

Agenda

- **1:00-1:40 pm EST** New Mexico Workforce Development Resources- Rebecca Sisneros
- **1:40-2:20 pm EST** Understand WIOA & Training Opportunities through Workforce Development System (30 minutes)
- **2:20-2:40 pm EST** Community Mapping- Identify Local Workforce Development/Training Resources Using Finders (20 minutes)
- **2:40-3:00 pm EST** Training & Technical Assistance

Speakers



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Resources:

1. [Opportunities for Survivors of Human Trafficking Through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act \(WIOA\): A Primer](#)
2. [Upskilling Online: Helping Survivors Navigate Online Education and Training Opportunities](#)
3. [Building Sustainable Partnerships Between Human Trafficking Services and workforce Development Programs Webinar](#)
4. Workforce Development Resource List (See Email Attachment)

Session Follow Up Plan

1. **Economic Empowerment Peer Learning Office Hours:** This space will be offered to the 2023 Economic Empowerment Peer Learning Cohort to reflect on sessions, resources and continue with action planning/implementation of best practices related to the Five Tiers of Economic Empowerment. Wednesday's May 10, May 17, May 24, May 31, June 7 at 11:00-12:00pm PST/2:00-3:00pm EST. [Join Office Hours Here](#). **Meeting ID:** 869 2318 2889 **Passcode:** 224100
2. **Promoting Employment Opportunities for Survivors of Trafficking Project Office Hours (General):** Participants are encouraged to join FUTURES staff every 3rd Wednesday of the month for office hours to dive deeper into webinar key points, navigate resources and engage in peer learning/group discussion around this intersection. [Sign up for office hours here](#).
3. **Individualized Training & Technical Assistance:** FUTURES provides free training and technical assistance to help implement this information into service delivery, curriculums and more. Sign up [for individualized training and technical assistance here](#).

4. For additional questions or concerns, contact Carolyn Ouya (Program Manager) at couya@futureswithoutviolence.org