## **Multiple Education Pathways Blueprints**

Fall River, MA

**GRANTEE**: City of Fall River

**ADDRESS:** 1 Government Center

Fall River, MA 02722

**AMOUNT:** \$491,666

**DURATION:** July 1, 2007-June 30, 2009

**POPULATION SERVED**: All youth, who are at risk of dropping out, and all dropouts, ages 16-21

**PARTNERSHIP DESCRIPTION**: The City of Fall River has established a Multiple Education Pathways Blueprint Leadership Team that consists of the following major partners: the Mayor's Office, Bristol Workforce Investment Board, Fall River Public Schools, and Fall River Office of Economic Development. Additional partners include post-secondary education institutions, employers, community-based organizations, other local government agencies, and providers of job training for youth.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**: The project, led by the Multiple Education Pathways Leadership Team, will map and analyze the current needs of the city's dropout population, identify gaps in service delivery, and work to improve case management across partners. The team will also facilitate a community-wide assessment of public and private funding sources for programs for atrisk youth. A "Youth Voice" team will help the leadership team plan its activities. Additionally, a workgroup will develop pathways into high-demand careers for dropouts and at-risk youth.

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