

Multiple Education Pathways Blueprints

Mobile, AL

GRANTEE: City of Mobile, Alabama

ADDRESS: 55 Midtown Park East
Mobile, AL 36606

AMOUNT: \$491,666

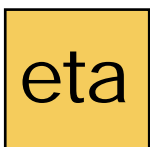
DURATION: Two years

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

PARTNERSHIP DESCRIPTION: The City of Mobile has established the Research Alliance for Multiple Pathways (RAMP) that consists of the following major partners: the Mayor's Office, Mobile County Public School System, Mobile Works, University of South Alabama, Bishop State Community College, Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce, Office of the District Attorney, and the Mobile Area Education Foundation.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The RAMP project, coordinated by the Mobile Area Education Foundation, will employ an analysis of student transcript data, a longitudinal cohort study, and student surveys to identify risk factors that will help guide the development of targeted interventions to reduce the dropout rate. RAMP subcommittees will analyze the impact of state and local policy on dropout rates, identify local programs and assess gaps in local service delivery, and benchmark promising practices for multiple educational pathways employed in other cities that could benefit Mobile. Project members will also work to build community awareness and support for the RAMP project by developing a Website for community access, engaging local stakeholders, and hosting a community education summit and public learning forums.

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