

## SHARED YOUTH VISION PILOT PROJECTS

**STATE: MISSISSIPPI**

**PROJECT TITLE:** Building Cooperation and Information Sharing Between State, Regional, and Local Service Providers to Insure Service Delivery to At-Risk Youth

**TARGET POPULATION:** Youth aging out of foster care and at-risk youth

**GEOGRAPHIC AREA:** South central Mississippi

**FUNDING:** \$116,000

**DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:** Youth service agencies and local One-Stop Centers will work together to expand and enhance coordination and linkages among youth service providers. The team has coordinated an agreement among agencies that will allow for information and data sharing on the targeted youth populations. The project will involve the development of a comprehensive asset map, which will be made available on the Internet. By identifying gaps in services, the map will inform the development of new strategies that support the overall mission of the Youth Vision team. By targeting two groups of at-risk youth – foster youth aging out of care and the broader dropout population, two parallel and complementary strategies for serving youth will be developed and implemented.

**LIST OF PARTNER AGENCIES/ORGANIZATION:** Mississippi Department of Employment Security, Mississippi Department of Education, Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services, Mississippi Department of Mental Health, Mississippi Department of Health, Local Workforce Investment Areas, Cares of Mississippi, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians Education

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