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Better Together

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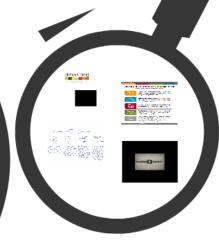
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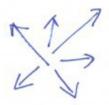
NEW BEHAVIOR

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Inconsistent quality and sporadic accountability perpetuate poor results with some pockets of expellence.

ISOLATION



Individual pockets
of excellence operate
disconnected from
one another with little
ability to scale
results. "Everyone
for everything."

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COLLECTIVE



Shared ideas and goals begin to galvanize partners and shared aspirations inspire repurposed budgets and "random acts of partnership"

collaborative action rooted in shared responsibility and accountability using aligned budgets; work plans and measurements are understood by all partners and the community.

Achieving Large-Scale Change through Collective Impact Involves 5 Key Conditions for Shared Success

Common Agenda

All participants have a **shared vision for change** including a common understanding of the problem and a joint approach to solving it through agreed upon actions

Shared Measurement Collecting data and measuring results consistently across all participants ensures efforts remain aligned and participants hold each other accountable

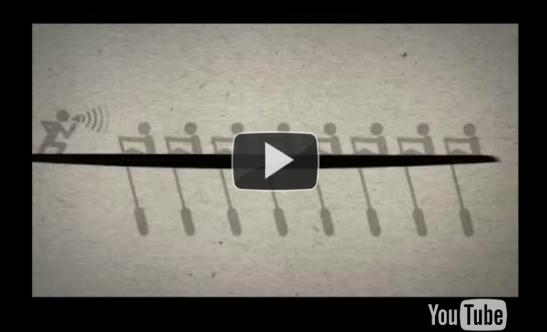
Mutually Reinforcing Activities

Participant activities must be differentiated while still being coordinated through a mutually reinforcing plan of action

Continuous Communication

Consistent and open communication is needed across the many players to build trust, assure mutual objectives, and appreciate common motivation

Backbone Support Creating and managing collective impact requires a separate organization(s) with staff and a specific set of skills to serve as the backbone for the entire initiative and coordinate participating organizations and agencies



Early Learning 8	k Wellness	Supporting Families				Bridges				Education/Training to Career					
Pre-K Kinder 1st	2nd 3rd	4th 5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	4th year +		
Before	Before Birth / Pre-K / Elementary School						High School			College/Training/Career					









Early Learning & Wellness

Supporting children & families Birth to 8

- Timeliness of prenatal care
- Young children (birth to kindergarten) are in quality early learning environments
- Children have access to a primary care medical provider
- Children receive regular health and developmental screening before entering Kindergarten
- Disparities in Kindergarten readiness are reduced
- Families access evidence-based parenting education information, materials and/or classes
- Children meet or exceed 3rd grade reading standards

Supporting Families

Empowering families with information and long-term resources

- Elementary children have their basic food and housing needs met
- 3rd graders have a growing post-high school education savings account
- 6th graders regularly attend school
- Families access post-high school information and resources
- Families feel safe and welcome at their children's school
- Families are involved in communitybased activities

Bridges

Bridging vulnerable periods to ensure long-term student success

- Middle school students feel safe and welcome at their school
- 8th graders are math proficient
- 9th graders are on-track for high school graduation
- 9th graders regularly attend school
- 9th graders linked to mentor
- Youth remain connected with school during and after disciplinary action
- Students take 3+ college level courses before the end of high school
- Students are ready for college-level coursework
- · Students persist from fall to fall in college

Education/Training to Career

Aligning educational experiences and skills with career opportunities

- Businesses, non-profits, government agencies actively host youth and young adults in internships and jobs
- Students engage in career exploration opportunities while in high school or post-secondary training/college
- Students complete a Career and Technical Education (CTE) program in high school or college







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Better Together has organized into regional, cross-sector, collaborative workgroups along the cradle to career continuum. These efforts aim to increase student success by promoting a growth mindset, aligning and leveraging existing resources and developing specific innovative, data-driven initiatives.



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Healthy, Stable and Supported Families

Families have access to quality services and have the knowledge and skills needed to support the positive development of their children.

Ready for Kindergarten Ready for School

Children receive the opportunities and supports needed to enter school ready to succeed.

Health & Development on Track

Children have access to a primary care medical provider and receive screenings at least once per year.

8+9 Project

Youth serving organizations and schools providing programming the summer before and after 8th grade with a link to an adult mentor at the start of 9th grade.

Future Accounts

Ensuring every child in Central Oregon has a Future Accounts by 3rd grade.

Latino Success Initiative

Aligned and integrated solution to partnering with Latino Families from elementary age through adulthood.

Cascades Commitment

A clear path for all high school students in Central Oregon to earn up to 18 credits that meet requirements for an Associates or Bachelors Degree after high school.

Youth CareerConnect

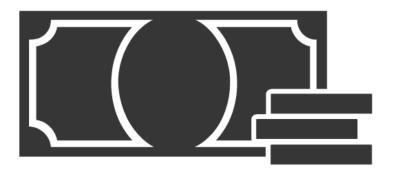
Providing meaningful work experience through jobs and internships for all Central Oregon youth and young adults.

Career and Technical **Education (CTE)**

Expanding and strengthening CTE programs throughout Central Oregon's schools and higher education institutions.



Resources Followed Collective Vision



Oregon Community Foundation
OEIB (RAC, Eastern Promise, Early Learning Hub)
Local Service Plan
Local Foundations
Corporation for National Service (AmeriCorps VISTA)

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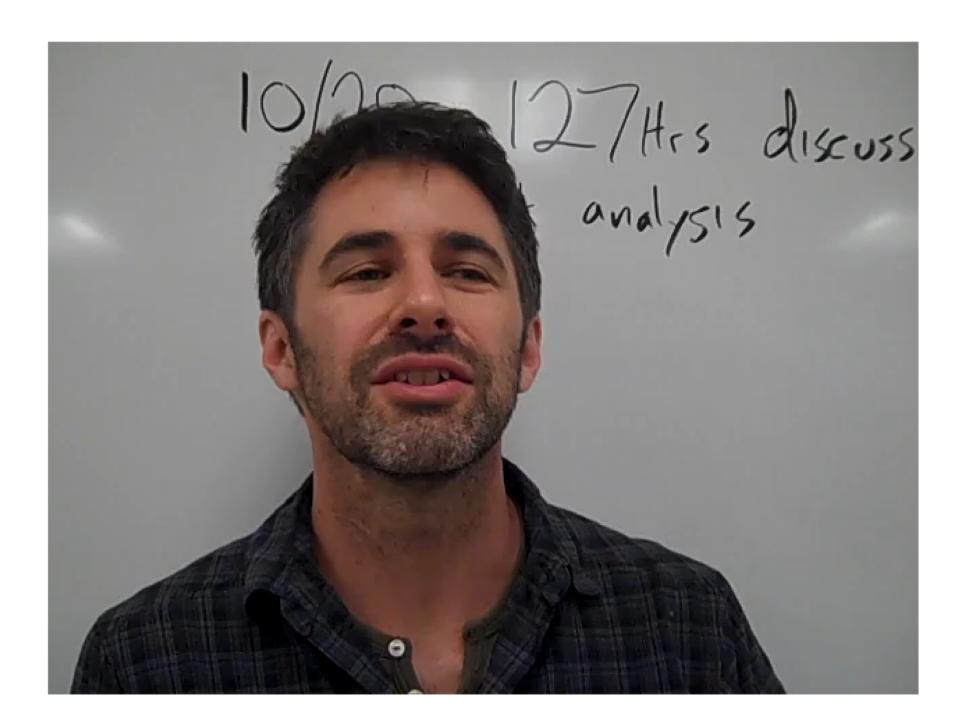


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Lessons learned



- Trusting relationships are ESSENTIAL
- Institutional cultures are real and
- demand respect
- Language matters

Never underestimate the importance of...

- An entity serving as a conduit for resources
- A leader to orchestrate siloed systems and providing the connective tissue between them

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