

August 5, 2009

Notes from Brownfields PLC session #8

Session leader: Open discussion

Topic: RR &P and Weatherization certifications

Session 8 Participants

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| Richard | Mabion | Building A Sustainable Earth Community |
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| Paula | Paris | JFY Networks |
| Rosalind | Howard | Mayors Office of Employment Dev. |
| Valerie | Amor | The GC Connection |

NOTES FROM SESSION 8

The PLC continued discussion of weatherization training and certifications based on materials provided by Guy and Valarie.

Angus reviewed new EPA RR&P accreditation guidelines. Consensus was that Worker and perhaps Renovator remain the preferred training accreditations for Brownfield training providers. Inspector, Supervisor, Risk Assessor, and Project Designer are specialized occupations that will likely be certified by national training organizations and less relevant to Brownfield training program participants.

Rosalind Howard from the Mayor's Office of Employment Development will be asking Carol Gillis, CTEC, to address the next PLC session regarding the certifications they look for when contracting for services

HUD's website offers the following weatherization certification guidance. Professional training programs focus on providing training for certification and are designed to help professionals increase their knowledge and abilities. There are two main categories of certification courses including new homes and existing homes. Both are detailed at the website below.

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/training/web/energy/help/certification.cfm>

Does anyone have additional sites on this topic? Post meeting contributions by others are appreciated. Please copy to all PLC members. Thanks

The next PLC session 9 will begin at 1:00 pm Central on Wednesday August 12th.

Session leader: Open discussion –Guest Speaker invited

Topic – Certifications & Curriculum continued

If you were unable to participate in session 8, you can replay it by dialing (712) 432-1088. Use access code 550105 followed by #. *1 will rewind 30 seconds and *2 will forward 30 seconds.

If you would like to invite a guest you feel would benefit from participation in our Professional Learning Community, feel free to pass this email onto them. We ask new participants to call in 5 minutes before the session begins for a brief orientation.